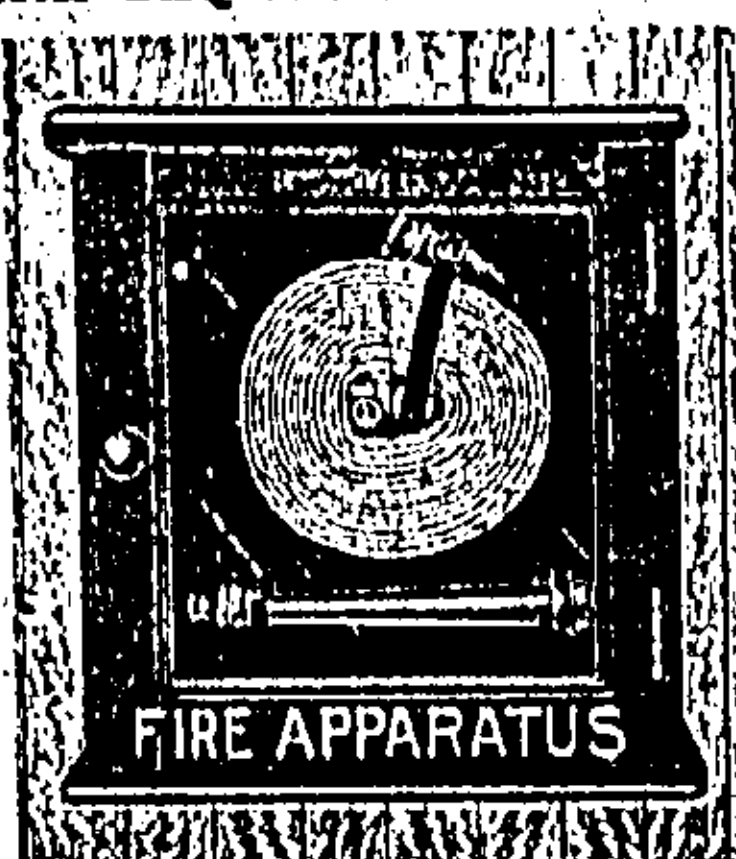


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HURRICANE ROUND NEW YORK.

TAIL-END HITS CITY: MANY CALAMITIES.

EXTENT OF THE DISASTER IN FLORIDA APPALLING.

DEVASTATION SURVEY.

New York, Sept. 19. The extent of the hurricane disaster in the West Indies and the east coast of Florida is appalling, exceeding the worst anticipations. As new reports reach New York with the improvement of communications, the death-roll steadily mounts and remarkable stories of the havoc created are outlined. Already judging by estimates now available, it is certain that over two thousand people have been killed in the south-eastern section of the United States and in American dependencies alone. Hundreds in addition are reported to be missing, while it is impossible to calculate the number of those injured.

\$20,000,000 Damage in Florida.

Four hundred people are dead in Florida, and reports from Porto Rico show that over a thousand lost their lives in the catastrophe.

The damage to property in Florida alone is estimated at \$20,000,000 or \$100,000,000.

Hundreds are reported missing in Florida, and such is the extent of the devastation that martial law has been instituted in the Palm Beach district and in the Everglades.

Some of the finest hotels and buildings at Palm Beach have been wrecked, and refugees and injured are crammed into temporary huts and shelters.

Troops had to be called out in Porto Rico to quell outbreaks of rioting and to prevent looting.

Storm Hits New York.

In a wireless message to-day, the Governor of Porto Rico states that at least 700,000 inhabitants of the island have been rendered homeless by the hurricane.

The tail-end of the storm hit New York to-day. The wind was so violent that several persons were blown through the windows, while traffic in the streets was held up.

French Losses.

Paris, Sept. 19. Further details of the hurricane havoc in the island of Guadeloupe received by the Minister of the 660 and the number of injured runs into many thousands. Many big buildings, and thousands of native huts have been destroyed.

British Colonies Suffer.

London, Sept. 19. The Colonial Office has received a telegram from the Governor of the Leeward Islands giving details of the loss of life and the damage caused by the hurricane.

At Montserrat, which the Governor visited, the destruction and damage is exceedingly heavy. The hospital seems to have suffered more seriously than the majority of the bigger buildings, the nurses' and matrons' quarters having been completely demolished. Many bridges have been destroyed, and all the Government buildings were stripped. The telephone exchange and the lines throughout the island were destroyed.

Most Population Homeless.

No fewer than two-thirds of the peasant houses in Montserrat were totally destroyed, and several of the principal houses in Plymouth have been damaged.

Five Protestant churches, a Roman Catholic church and a Wesleyan Chapel were wrecked, and while extensive damage has been done to one of the leading hotels, and several residences on the big estates. At the moment it is estimated that forty persons have been killed and seventy seriously injured, while the total damage to Government property and peasant huts is placed at \$30,000.

More Deaths.

In Nevis, little damage has been done to Government property, but many huts of the poorer classes have been demolished. Thirteen were killed and fifty injured.

Six deaths, many injured, damage to the Government building and the destruction of peasant houses are reported from St. Kitts.

COOL CITY GODOWN BURGLARY.

ROBBERIES CALMLY MOVE GOODS IN TRUCK.

PROVIDE NEW LOCK.

Remarkable coolness was shown by a gang of burglars who broke into a godown in the city in the early hours of this morning, and stole from it goods to the value nearly \$500.

Shop people who were already up at that early hour, saw at four o'clock this morning, a hand-truck being driven up to the door of the basement of No. 135, Queen's Road Central, which is used as a godown by the Melsan Company for the storage of shell-lac and paint-oil. They saw the men accompanying the truck open the basement door, and, later, come out with two cases of shell-lac and one case of oil which they transferred to the truck. After carefully locking the door, the men then drove away.

It all looked so proper and above-board, that the people in the vicinity did not realize that this was other than a genuine moving of goods by the Melsan people. Not until later in the morning, did it leak out that a daring gang of burglars had been at work.

In examining the door, it was found that the lock had been broken by the thieves in order to effect an entry, and that it was substituted by a brand-new one which the men had brought along with them.

EARLY MORN MOTOR SMASH.

CHAUFFEUR RECEIVES A FRACTURED JAW.

A rather serious accident, in which a public motorcar was involved, occurred shortly after two o'clock this morning, in Des Voeux Road Central, near the Bank of Canton.

While a public car was endeavouring to pass another car which was going west in the same direction with it, it skidded and, swerving, ran into a pillar.

The radiator was almost stove in, while the driver, thrown forward on his seat, fractured his jaw against the windshield. He was also cut by glass splinters, and was removed to hospital.

Except for the driver, the car was unoccupied.

CHINA'S NEW TREATY WITH BELGIUM.

CONVERSATIONS PROGRESS AT GENEVA.

Brussels, Sept. 19. Conversations between the Chinese and the Belgian delegates at Geneva, aiming at the conclusion of a provisional agreement to supersede the Treaty of 1868, are reliably reported as having progressed to an extent that a favourable outcome may shortly be expected.

The shape of the new Treaty will be based on principles of equality and reciprocity.

while in Antigua, Government property and peasant huts have been damaged to the extent of \$17,000.

The Administrator of Dominica reports one death, four jetties demolished and one damaged.

Famine Feared.

The Roseau seafront was partially destroyed and great damage has been done to roads in the country. The telephone system is demolished and the electric lighting system serious. Heavy loss to general cultivation is reported and it is feared that food shortage will be felt later owing to the destruction of crops. The estimated damage to the Public Works Department property is \$6,000.

The total estimated damage to hits in Dominica, Montserrat, Antigua, St. Christopher and Nevis is \$100,000.

All deaths and injuries occurred among the labour class. A telegram from the Governor of Jamaica states that the damage at Grand Turk reported is not very great.

DISARMAMENT IN DOLDRUMS.

CLEAVAGE OF OPINION AT GENEVA.

FRANCO-GERMAN MOTION FOR LEAGUE ASSEMBLY.

EARLY DATE WANTED.

Geneva, Sept. 19.

The varied proposals advanced in connexion with the all-important question of disarmament engaged the attention of the Third Committee of the League Assembly, which is dealing with this problem, for over two hours to-day, concluding yesterday's protracted debate.

Lord Cusheendun's long speech yesterday, pointing out the disadvantages existing in regard to an early meeting of the Disarmament Conference, was warmly supported by Baron Sato, of Japan, who, however, took an entirely different line in dealing with M. Landon's suggestion that the great naval Powers should be invited to a special meeting in Paris shortly for a preliminary discussion of naval armaments.

Japanese Opinion.

Baron Sato considered the invitation worth while, or, at least, thought that further consideration might be given before it was rejected.

The debate to-day centred largely round M. Paul Boncour's resolution urging that the Disarmament Conference should meet at the end of 1928 or the beginning of 1929.

"Reconcile Differences."

An alternative resolution was submitted by Count Bernstorff (Germany) inviting the Council of the League to make an urgent appeal to all Governments to reconcile their differences as regards disarmament.

Finally, it was decided by the Committee that a drafting committee should be appointed to draw up a resolution embracing both the French and German resolutions.

Thus the debate in the League Assembly on the disarmament question will be based on a Franco-German motion.

Notable Speech.

The most notable speech was made by Baron Sato (Japan). With Lord Cusheendun, he deprecated the fixing now of a date for the Disarmament Conference, but he favoured to some extent, M. Landon's suggestion regarding a private conference of the great naval Powers in Paris.

He said that the idea should be further explored before rejection, though he admitted that he was without the views of the Japanese Government on the matter.

Opium Smoking.

Further discussion took place at the meeting of the Fifth Committee to-day on the British proposal to appoint a Commission of three to investigate opium-smoking in the Far East with a view to presenting a report for the Opium Conference of 1929.

The vote had been delayed since the Committee found itself reluctant to approve owing to the expense involved.

Seventeen Abstentions.

After a brief discussion, a resolution was passed in favour of referring to the Budget Committee for a credit of 250,000 Swiss francs to cover the expenses of the Commission.

Thirteen delegates, including India, voted in favour of the motion, one voted against, and seventeen abstained.

GIGANTIC RUSSIAN INTERNAL LOAN.

ELEVEN PER CENT. INTEREST TO BE PAID!

Moscow, Sept. 19.

The Central Executive Council has authorised the issue shortly of a new State Internal Loan of 300,000,000 roubles, at an interest of 11 per cent.

ROBBER SUSPECT WOUNDED.

DETECTIVE BRINGS HIM DOWN WITH REVOLVER SHOT.

SHAUKIWAN INCIDENT.

To prevent a robber suspect from escaping, a Chinese detective had to use his revolver at Shaukiwai this morning, in an encounter between a police picket and suspected armed criminals.

The suspect, who had taken to his heels on being challenged by the picket, was brought down with a shot which injured him in the right ankle. With the injured man was a companion, who surrendered to the searchers.

In an official police report of the affair issued this morning, it is stated that, on information received, a number of officers from the district station were sent out to scour the streets for a gang of armed men who, it was said, was promulgating an outrage in one of the houses in the suburbs.

Near the tram terminus, the picket came upon two men, who were loitering about in a suspicious manner. On being hailed, the two suspects commenced to run, whereupon, finding that they could not bring about their capture by

YANGTZE ANTI-BANDIT ACTION.

Good Work in Which H.M.S. Bee Took Part.

AREA NEW CLEARED.

It is reported that the anti-bandit action taken last week by H.M.S. Bee had satisfactory results.

It will be recalled that when the Bee was on the Middle Yangtze information was received to the effect that certain huts were being occupied by bandits. The Bee embarked a Colonel and 30 men of the 57th Division of General Tao Chung's Hupeh Army at Shanghaiwan forty miles above Chengli, and proceeded up the river to the bandit stronghold.

The bandits were fired on and the Chinese troops landed and went in pursuit. It is now revealed that six or more bandits were killed in the action, while the remainder were driven off.

The roads in which the bandits had their headquarters were set on fire and the area is now reported to be clear of bandits.

any other means, one of the Chinese detectives in the police party fired his revolver, aiming to hit his man in the leg. As stated, the bullet struck the man's ankle, and completely incapacitated him.

His companion then realised the futility of further resistance, and submitted to arrest without further ado. When searched, a dagger was taken from each man.

The case was mentioned before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Police Court this morning. As the wounded man is being detained in hospital, only one of the suspects was produced in Court, being formally charged with possession of arms.

A remand was granted.

THE 25,000-MILE FLIGHT.

R.A.F. FLIERS WARMLY CONGRATULATED.

London, Sept. 19. Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Air, has sent the following telegram to Group Commander Cave Brown Cave, Commanding Officer of the Royal Air Force Far East Flight:

"Warm congratulations to you and all under your command on your return to Singapore and the success of your achievement with four machines over a flight of 25,000 miles, which affords convincing proof of the reliability and mobility of the flying-boat."

CLANS GATHERING IN NANKING.

MR. WU HAN-MIN AND THE FUTURE.

LI CHAI-SUM'S INTENTIONS STILL IN DOUBT.

TO DESERT CANTON?

Shanghai, Sept. 19. An important interview having considerable bearing on the future of the Nationalist Government was given to Chinese journalists in Shanghai by Mr. Wu Han-min shortly before his departure for Nanking.

Mr. Wu Han-min discussed at some length the agreement achieved between Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and the leaders of the Moderate Wing of the Kuomintang as the result of the recent conversations, and expressed the opinion that there will be renewed activity in political circles shortly, to the benefit of the country as a whole.

One of the principal troubles of the Government in the past, said Mr. Wu Han-min, has been the attitude of the Nationalist leaders in devoting more care and attention to their own provinces than of the central government. It has now been agreed that if the Nanking Government is to make any headway, a large number of officials must be prepared to make Nanking their permanent abode.

Centralisation.

It is this scheme, in addition to the Cabinet form of administration planned, which constitutes the main feature of the reorganisation contemplated.

Officials who took part in the recent discussions in Shanghai have agreed that if there is to be co-operation among China's leaders, they must spend more time in the work of the Nanking Government than in the administration of provinces which may be under their control.

The reorganisation of the Central Executive Committee, he pointed out, is, however, the work of the Commissioners who met with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek in Shanghai, and there may be other members of the Government who do not see eye to eye with them in the matter.

Nanking Conference.

Conferences are to be held in Nanking shortly when the whole question will be thrashed out, prior to official adoption of the proposals.

Mr. Wu Han-min also made reference to the future of the Canton Administration as it affects the Canton leaders now in the North. Mr. Tai Chi-tao, the Chancellor of the Sun Yat-sen University, has already intimated that he has no desire to take up any position in the Central Government at this time, but would prefer to return to Canton for two or three years to continue his educational activities there.

It is likely that Mr. Tai Chi-tao will return to Canton within the next few days.

Marshal Li's Future.

Marshal Li Chai-sum, the head of the Canton Administration, has not yet decided on his plans for the future, but it is certain that he will not return to Canton for some time yet.

Much depends on the immediate developments in Nanking. If all goes well, it is likely that Marshal Li Chai-sum will remain in Nanking in the service of the Government as Chief of Staff. If he feels he is not really needed in Nanking, he will return to Canton.

General Chan Ming-shu, Marshal Li's second-in-command, is returning to Canton some time next week.

Off to Nanking.

Shanghai, Sept. 19. Dr. C. T. Wang, Mr. T. V. Soong, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Mr. Tai Yuan-pel, Mr. Li Shih-tang, Mr. Yu Han-min, Mr. Tai Chi-tao, Marshal Li Chai-sum, General Li Chung-yen and General Chan Ming-shu proceeded to Nanking last evening. Their visit is believed to be in connexion with the inauguration of the reorganised government.

In this connexion the Japanese Consul General, Mr. Yada, in an interview with Reuters' representative, stated Japan was waiting for an announcement by the new Nationalist Government before reopening negotiations on various issues, such as Nanking, Tientsin and Treaty revision.

CHINESE PILOTS IN SHANGHAI?

SHIPPING CIRCLES WATCHING NEGOTIATIONS.

NEW CRISIS POSSIBLE.

Shanghai, Sept. 20.

The protracted quarrel between the Chinese authorities and the Licensed Pilots' Association has reached a curious stage. It may possibly be terminated very shortly, or it may reach a crisis.

The nature of the negotiations and the progress made are obscure, owing to the reticence of officials on both sides.

It is, however, authoritatively declared that no barrier is to be offered in the future to the admission of Chinese members to the Licensed Pilots' Association, provided the necessary qualifications are forthcoming.

One foreign pilot recalls the farcical Hwah Jah episode when the first really serious attempt to train Chinese apprentices according to Western standards, resulting in wholesale desertions by the Cadets, while a number refused to work, claiming the status of officers, and attempted to intimidate their seniors.

The outcome of the present negotiations is being given close attention in shipping circles.

OPIMUM RAID IN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

REVENUE OFFICERS MAKE AN IMPORTANT HAUL.

Opium valued at \$10,000 was seized by Revenue Officers yesterday in a raid carried out on a house at Queen's Road West.

Placing men at points of exit, a European Revenue Officer led a party of men into the first floor of No. 586, Queen's Road West, where after a search, they found 722 taels of prepared opium and 120 taels of raw opium, both of Kwangsi origin.

A Chinese who was found on the floor, was taken into custody. He appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, and was remanded on an application from Mr. A. E. Hall, who is appearing for the defence.

EXPERIMENTAL AIR SERVICE.

MAILS BETWEEN BELFAST AND LIVERPOOL.

London, Sept. 19.

The Post master General announces that an experimental air service to be operated by the Calcutta flying boat, will be carried out between Liverpool and Belfast between the 24th and 29th instant.

Mails will be despatched daily from Liverpool to Belfast and vice versa by this service.

PANAMA ZONE CHIEF.

COLONEL BURGESS AS NEW GOVERNOR.

Washington, Sept. 19. Colonel H. Burgess has been appointed Governor of the Panama Canal Zone in succession to Mr. Walker, who recently tendered his resignation.

ASHINGTON TROUNCED

THIRD DIVISION SOCCER RESULT.

London, Sept. 19. At Darlington to-day, in the Third Division (North) of the Football League, Darlington defeated Ashington by four goals to nil.

FAIR WEATHER.

To-day's Observatory report states:—The anticyclone has passed into the Pacific. An area of high pressure extends from North China to east of Japan and an area of low pressure from Indo-China to Guam. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North-east winds, fresh; fair.

MURDER CHARGE IS DROPPED.

EXTRADITION POINT NOT PROVED.

SEQUEL TO RAID ON BOYS' SCHOOL.

LACK OF WITNESSES.

Extradition proceedings which were commenced last week against Tsang Yu, who is wanted by the Canton authorities, for alleged kidnapping and murder, were continued before Mr. R. E. Lindell to-day.

Evidence was given at the former hearing that the defendant was one of a party of men who took part in a raid on the village of Pak Fong on July 1, 1927. Eight boys from a school, which had as many as sixty pupils, were kidnapped, and the head of one of the kidnapped boys was later sent back to the village by the gang of raiders, as a reminder that the ransom demanded by the gang had better be quickly settled.

Saw Boy's Head.

When the case resumed this morning, Mr. Fitzroy called Kwan Ki-cheung, who said he belonged to a village near Pak Fong. He said he knew the murdered boy and saw the head of the youth at Pak Fong village on August 15. He had seen the boy, well and alive, on July 17, the day of the raid.

After evidence had been given by Chan Kwok-ying, the translator of the Supreme Court, Mr. Fitzroy indicated that that was all the evidence he had to call. He explained that an attempt had been made to get further evidence from the village, but the day of the raid being a market day, most of the people were away and eye-witnesses were few.

"Scared Stiff."

His Worship enquired if none of the schoolboys were available, to which Mr. Fitzroy replied that one of the boys had been requested to come down, but that the youth had not arrived because he was "scared stiff."

Mr. Fitzroy mentioned that what he particularly asked for was someone who saw the fugitive go into or leave the village, but it seemed that there were only seven or eight houses in that part of the village.

Mr. Lindell remarked that it is obvious that, under the circumstances, the charge of murder must lapse.

Remarking that he had to rely solely on the charge of kidnapping, Mr. Fitzroy said he was perfectly prepared to let the charge of murder go by. There was nothing to show how the boy died.

Murder Charge Dropped.

The fugitive was then discharged on the murder count. Mr. Loebly submitted that his client had no case to answer. After raising a point as to the signature of Marshal Li Chai-sum on the requisition, Mr. Loebly went on to deal with the evidence in the case and claimed that the prosecution had not made out a *prima facie* case.

On Mr. Lindell remarking that there were two direct witnesses, Mr. Loebly pointed out that the first witness was a boy, whose brother had admitted that he instituted the proceedings for the sake of a reward. Mr. Loebly observed that the boy could be easily coached, in that the only coaching he required was to answer that the fugitive was the man who led him away.

Woman Dazed.

As to the evidence of the woman, Mr. Loebly said all she said was that the robbers went to the village and that the fugitive was with them. The woman had admitted that she was dazed at the time. Although, according to the prosecution, there were fifty-five other schoolboys who saw the act of kidnapping, Mr. Loebly commented that none of them had been brought before the Court.

The case is proceeding.

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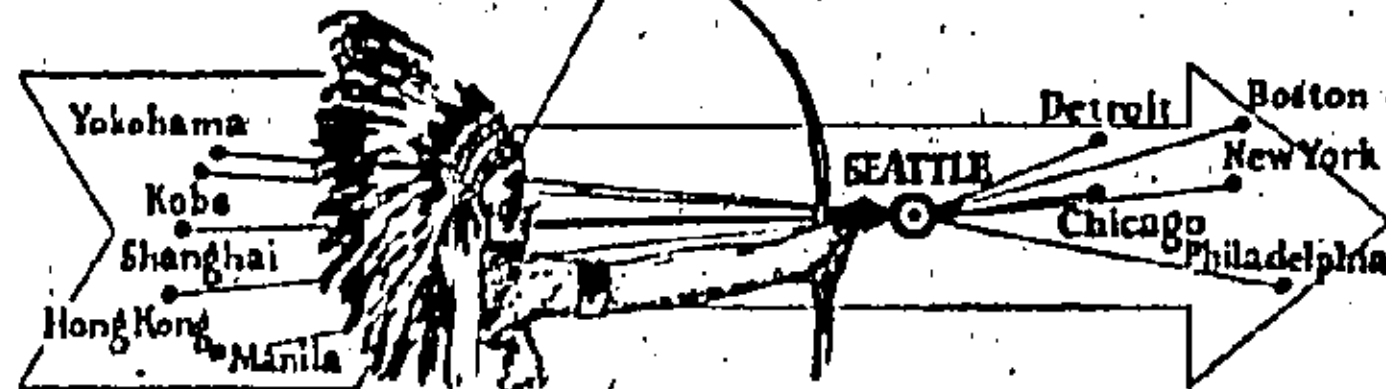
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MONEY EXCHANGE.

PROPOSED REGULATIONS
ARE DISCUSSED.

In connexion with the proposed new police regulations for Chinese money-changers and native banks, a meeting was held of the members of the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange yesterday, and, judging from the general opinions there expressed, there was much discontent at the third rule, which requires that all money-changers shall keep a record, ready for police inspection at all times, of all exchange transactions involving amounts of \$50 and over.

The meeting was presided over by the Chairman of the Exchange, Mr. Lam Kwai-sang, and attended by a large number of members, representing practically all the money-changers in the Colony.

The Chairman first explained his interview with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs on Monday, from whom he learned that the police contemplated the enforcement of the three regulations.

Commenting on the first two regulations, the Chairman said that in his opinion and that of the other members of the Exchange it is their duty to assist the police, as far as possible.

It is also explained that unlike the foreign banks, which have different departments, in money-changers' shops and Chinese native banks the men at the counters do all the transactions of which exchange is but one of the many. In consequence, if the men in the shop are required to do the additional work of recording all exchange transactions, it will certainly occupy too much attention and time of the shop.

The Chairman further explained that the money-changers' most busy time was upon the occasion of the arrival of steamer from the Straits and other ports. On such occasions the rush often made it difficult for the men at the counters to attend to their present duties and if this new regulation is to be enforced it would seem most certain that the customers would get tired of waiting, or object to be subjected to the required interrogations, which appear to be inevitable when they are required to fill in the entry form. The result of this would be that many visitors would wait and change their money in another port. Thus, the money-changers in Hongkong would directly suffer from the new rule.

Mr. Ho Lu, the hon. adviser of the Exchange, proposed that a Committee should be chosen to approach the Police to see what the contemplated entry forms were to be like before any final decision was made.

After some discussion four members and the 14 officials of the Exchange together with Mr. Ho Lu and Mr. M.K. Lo, the legal adviser of the M.K.E., were chosen to form a Committee to further consider the matter.

It is understood that this Committee will meet sometime to-day after which they intend to interview the Police.

The meeting was closed shortly before 10 o'clock.

RED ACTIVITIES.

SEIZURES AT CHANGSHA
AND AMOY.

Shanghai, Sept. 19.
A message from Changsha states that the military authorities yesterday raided a communist cell at Shachow, near Changsha. Several arrests were made.

Another Amoy Raid.

From Amoy comes a report that another communist cell was raided by the military yesterday afternoon. Five arrests were made and several boxes of communist literature and propaganda material were seized. A strict search is being made by the military for other cells which are reported to be active in Amoy.—*Reuter.*

PUBLIC MONEY.

FURTHER FINANCIAL VOTES.

The following supplementary expenditure, will be considered by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council in this afternoon's meeting.

Charitable Services.—Sanatorium treatment for Police Sergeant Robertson, \$3,000.00.

In 1927 Council voted a sum to cover the cost of Sanatorium treatment in respect of the first half of 1927 for Police Sergeant J. Robertson, ex Hongkong Police and it was agreed that treatment should be continued in accordance with the advice of the Scottish Board of Health. It was not then known how long such treatment would be required and no provision was made in 1928 Estimates.

The Crown Agents' accounts for the cost of treatment from July 1st to December 31st, 1927, have now been received and further accounts are due for the period January 1st to May 31st, 1928, on which date Sanatorium treatment ceased. From June 1st Sergeant Robertson is to receive home treatment and it is proposed to grant him an allowance of \$1 per week to cover the expenses of such treatment. A vote is now requested for \$3,000—which includes the cost of Sanatorium treatment from July 1st, 1927, to May 31st, 1928, and the allowance of \$1 per week from June 1st to December 31st, 1928.

Provision is being made in the 1929 Estimates for the payment of the allowance in respect of next year.

Eastern Filter Beds.

Public Works, Extraordinary.—27, Eastern Filter Beds. Amount required to meet final payments under Contracts, \$15,000.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$25,000.

The contract for the above mentioned work is now practically completed at a cost of \$15,000 under the estimate as shown below.

By an oversight the estimate was wrongly put in 1928 Estimates at \$505,000 and the work shown for completion, except retention money, in 1927. The original estimate was \$575,000 and was reduced by the deletion of the Overseer's House to \$563,000. The work could not be completed till 1928 and a further sum of \$15,000 is required to meet final payments.

The following is a statement of the cost of the work:

Contract No. 12 of 1927 to complete works outside above Contract, including 18" C.I. Pipes, and necessary valves, ironwork, steel work, temporary grit filters, bricks, tiles, etc.	1928, 1929
	1928, 1929
Say	144,780.00
Amount spent to end of 1927	108,840.00
Amount voted 1928	25,000.00
	133,840.00

Amount of Supplementary Vote required	14,940.00
Say	15,000.00

Sewers and Drains.

Public Works, Extraordinary.—10, General Works, Sewage and Storm Water Drains, Sewer Connections on L. 2491 and other commitments, \$6,100.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$25,000.
Vote made by Supplementary, \$6,000.
Total, \$31,000.

The expenditure on this Vote is chiefly dependent on private development and as such it is difficult to say, when the draft estimates are submitted, what progress will be made by the various lessees.

The vote is now exhausted and the Supplementary amount requested is to meet the cost of the following essential works:

(a) Sewer connections to nine houses approaching completion on L.L. 2461. \$900.00.

(b) To relay 6" sewer in Conduit Road where carried away by road slip in 1927. This work could not be carried out, but as the slip entailed the construction of a heavy retaining wall which is only just finished, the sewerage in the interim has been provided for by 2 temporary connections. The Roads Office are now about to resurface the portion of the road that slipped and for this reason it is essential that the sewer be laid now in order to obviate the cutting up of the new surfacing at a later date, \$1,000.00.

(c) Temporary sewer connections to new Sailors and Soldiers Home on L.L. 2516. The permanent sewers in

ELECTION PROMISE.

AL SMITH SEEKING TO
INTEREST FARMERS.

Omaha, Sept. 19.
Governor Al Smith who is now touring the middle west in an effort to win over the disgruntled Republican farmers, attacked Mr. Hoover for his opposition to government relief to the grain growers. He declared that he stood "for the principle" of the McNary-Haugen Bill which President Coolidge twice vetoed as unconstitutional.

Governor Smith promised to appoint a non-partisan commission to enquire into the farm relief question if he was elected.

Referring to prohibition he said that this was a matter for individual state decision.—*Reuter's American Service.*

This locality cannot be proceeded with at present; in the meantime a temporary work must be undertaken to give a connexion to the new building on the lot stated \$3,000.00.

(d) Lengths of 36" of 18" sewer and 30" of 36" storm water drain together with the necessary manholes are required in connexion with the works in hand on M.L. 430 and 431. At present a quantity of filling occupies through the openings left in the Sea Wall for sewer outfalls, and is causing sitting in front of the quay wall. Filling on this area cannot be complete until this work is carried out. \$1,200.00

Total, \$4,200.00

Motor Scavenging.

Sanitary Department: 21, Other Charges, Motor Lorries, Vans and Cars Running Expenses, \$5,000.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$12,000.

The motor scavenging service has expanded geographically more than was anticipated and the abolition of the Central Dust Station consequent upon the completion of the New Fire Station and Government Offices, has entailed not only a very greatly increased mileage but also the removal by lorry of much refuse (particularly from the Central Market) that previously went to that station by hand. For this reason among others it was necessary to supplement the vote in 1927 and, by mistake, additional provision in the 1928 Estimates was not made. Up to the end of July, 1928, the amount actually spent under this sub-head was \$16,327.25 and it is estimated that the \$5,000 now asked for will suffice for the current year.

\$3,500 of the above is to be met from savings under sub-head 10, \$2,000 sub-head 31, \$500, and sub-head 33, \$1,000 (1928 Estimates pages 54 and 55 sub-heads 10, 31 and 33.)

Yaumati Slipway.

Harbour Department: 17, Slipway at Yaumati Expenses, \$600.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$3,500.

It was found in 1927 that repairs to the steelwork of the Slipway Pier were necessary, the cost being estimated at \$3,980. There were not sufficient funds in the Vote for 1927 and only repairs costing \$1,500 were carried out last year and the balance of repairs costing \$2,480 were done in April this year.

The payment of this amount has left insufficient funds for 1928 current expenses.

To date \$3,486 has been spent and a further sum of \$400 is required. The above is to be met from savings under head 13 sub-head 8.

Steam Launch Hire.

Harbour Department: 15, Steam Launch Hire and Transport, \$600.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$750.

Travelling expenses of Government Marine Surveyors were allowed for under sub-head 8 as "Motor Allowances." Only 8 surveyors, however, possess Motor Cars and can properly draw allowances from this sub-head, and it has been necessary to draw Travelling expenses of the remainder from sub-head 15, "Transport."

Further, owing to pressure of work it is necessary to hire substitute launches to replace Post Office and Prison Department launches when these are laid up for repairs. No provision for this was made in the 1928 Estimates. Owing to these extra expenses \$741 have already been spent from sub-head 15 and a further sum of \$600 is now required. The above is to be met from savings under sub-head 8.

LEAVE TO APPEAL.

DAMAGES AWARDED TO
TAIPO FISHERMAN.

In the Court of Appeal, yesterday afternoon, before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan), and Mr. Justice Jackson, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., instructed by Mr. Hugh Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, applied for leave to appeal against a judgment for \$500 damages for wrongful imprisonment, delivered by Mr. Justice Jackson on Thursday of last week. Leave to appeal was granted.

Originally, Loo Wai-huen, of Wo Hop Shek Village, a fisherman at Tai-po, sued Cheung Kang, Cheung Tai-kwai and Lai Shing, all of Tai-po, for \$1,000 damages for wrongful imprisonment. Cheung Tai-kwai is the master of the Wo Shing-Hing Lung fish shop, Tai-po, while Cheung Kang is an assistant. Lai Shing is a detective, stationed at Tai-po.

The defendants were alleged to have caused the arrest of the respondent in Hongkong and to have caused him to be wrongly imprisoned at Tai-po Police Station.

In his judgment, Mr. Justice Jackson found in favour of the respondent awarding him \$100 damages each against the shop assistant and the detective, and \$300 damages against the shop master.

Mr. Alabaster explained that only the shop people were appealing, the detective being neither present nor legally represented.

The Application.

Counsel based his application on the grounds that the judge had made an error of law in the interpretation of an authority, and argued that the only part taken in the matter by the shopmen was that of pointing out the respondent to the detective, who, in turn, was acting on the instructions of Sub-Inspector R. C. Watt since retired on pension, but who was at that time in charge of Tai-po Police Station.

Counsel continued that Mr. Justice Jackson had not found that the detective was acting on the instructions of the two other appellants. If, continued, Mr. Alabaster, the judge found on the evidence that the judgment was against the appellants such a judgment was against the weight of the evidence.

Counsel also argued that the damages were excessive as against the two shopmen appellants because the detention of the respondent at Tai-po Police Station was clearly the act of the Police Inspector.

NEW POLISH TERROR.

INCENDIARIST ORGANISATION
ALLIED WITH SOVIET.

Warsaw, Sept. 19.
The police have arrested a number of alleged members of a terrorist organisation whose objects are said to be incendiarism, directed against the houses and crops of wealthy land owners on the eastern border of Poland.

Most of the victims are known to be opponents of the Soviet regime. The organisation is supposed to be closely connected with the "Iron Hand Association," which in turn is said to receive orders from the Soviet state and political police.—*Reuter.*

TIN MINE TROUBLE.

STRIKERS AND POLICE AT
BILLITON CLASH.

Batavia, Sept. 19.
One striker was killed and two seriously injured in a fight with the police at the Billiton tin mines. Eight policemen and five strikers were slightly injured.

The trouble was due to the influence of the extremist elements among the newly recruited Chinese coolies. Police reinforcements are en route from Batavia. The strikers are now resuming work.—*Reuter.*



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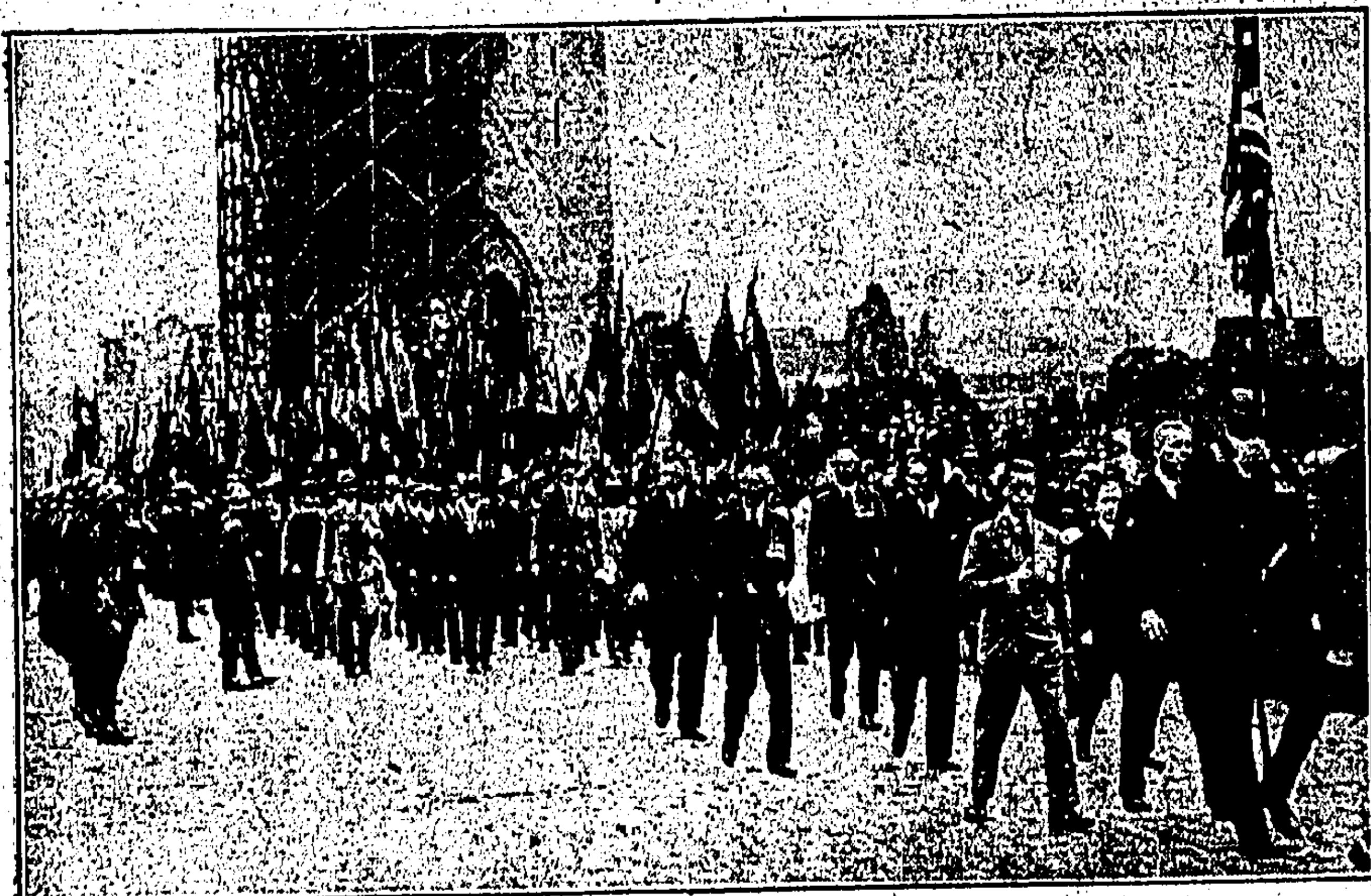
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The Service of Remembrance at the Menin Gate, Ypres. Our picture shows the Prince leading a procession of British Legion standards from the Cloth Hall to the Menin Gate. (Times copyright).



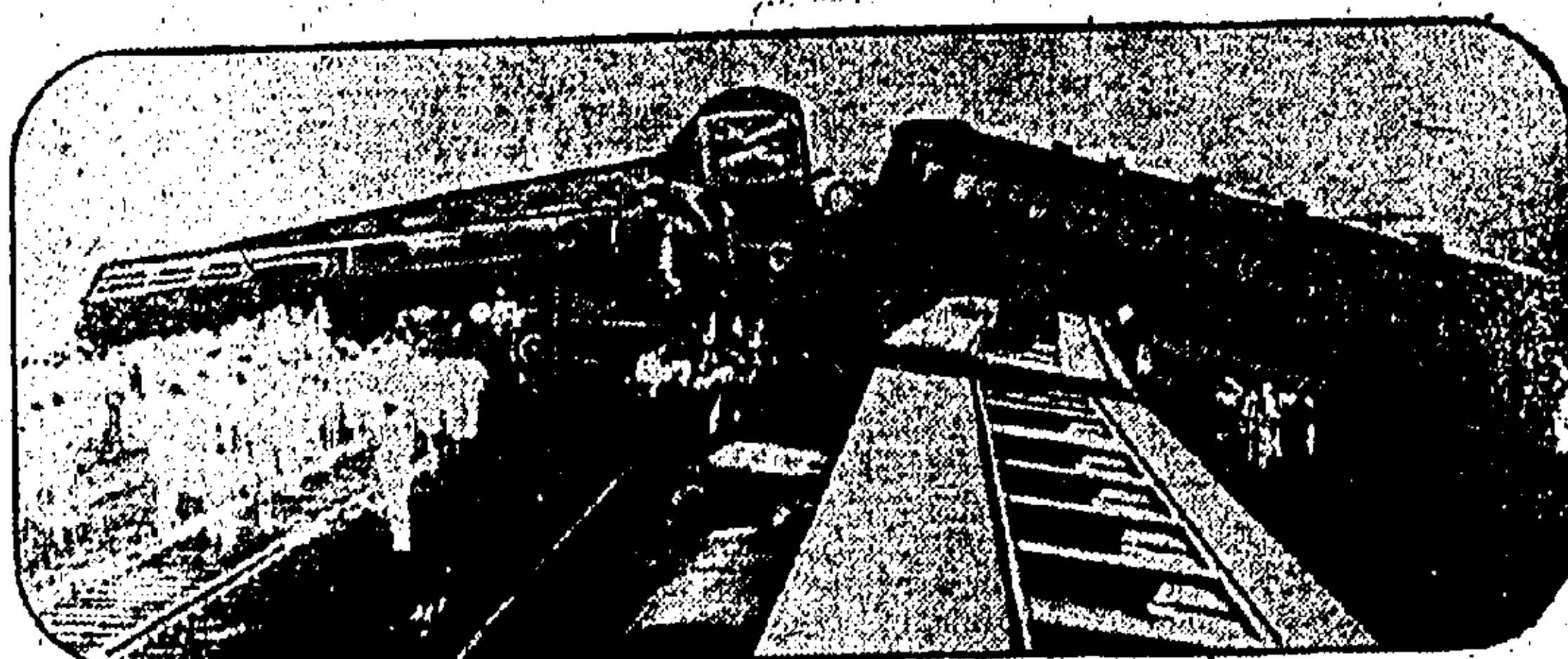
A characteristic pose of Percy Williams, the brilliant Canadian sprinter, who became world-famous by winning both the 100-metres and 200-metres at the Amsterdam Olympic Games. Although he beat no records, he did wonderfully well. English runners were second to him in both events.



Another scene from the Somerset Maugham play "The Letter" which is attracting big audiences in Shanghai.



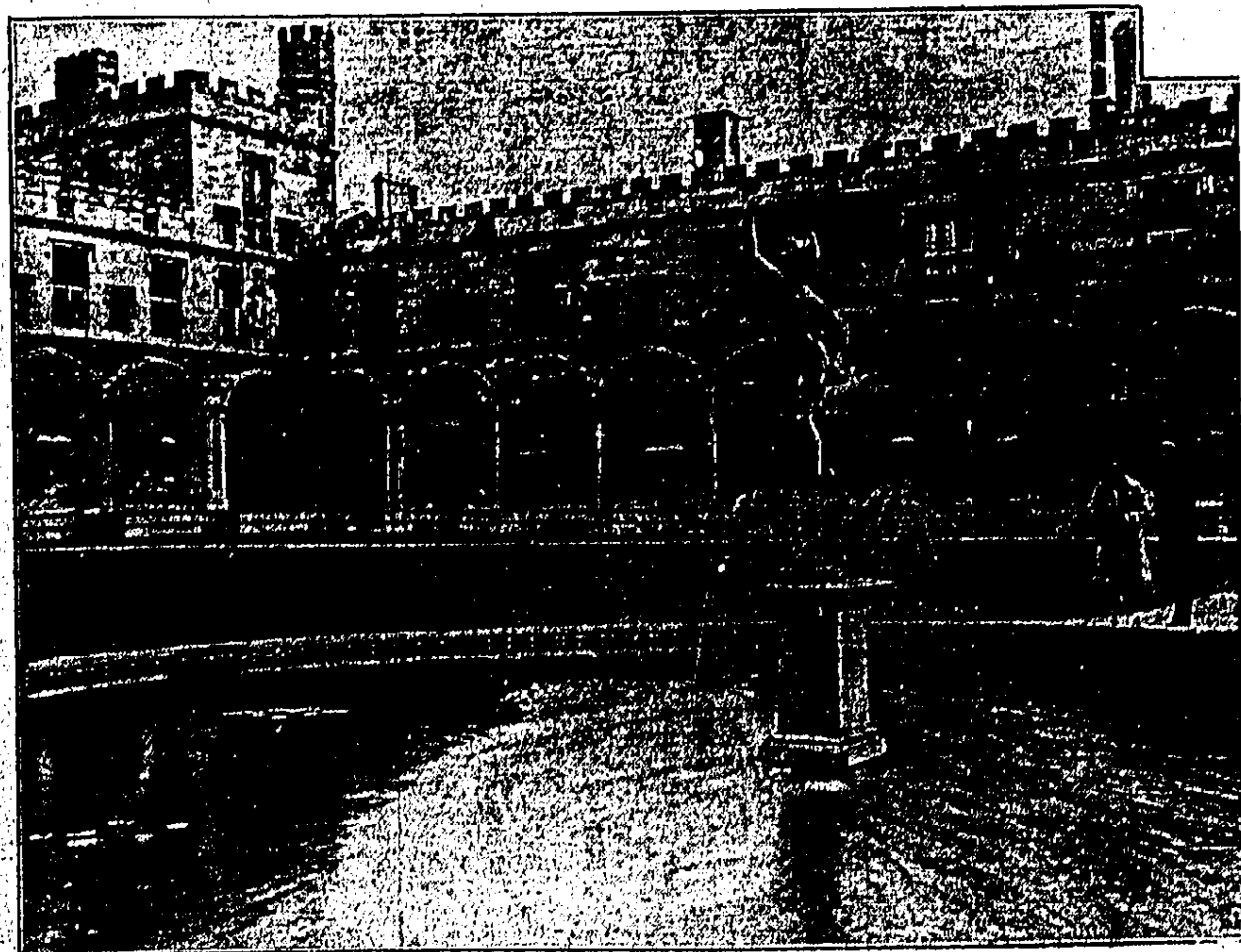
Taken during a foreign fancy dress ball at Unzen, Japan.



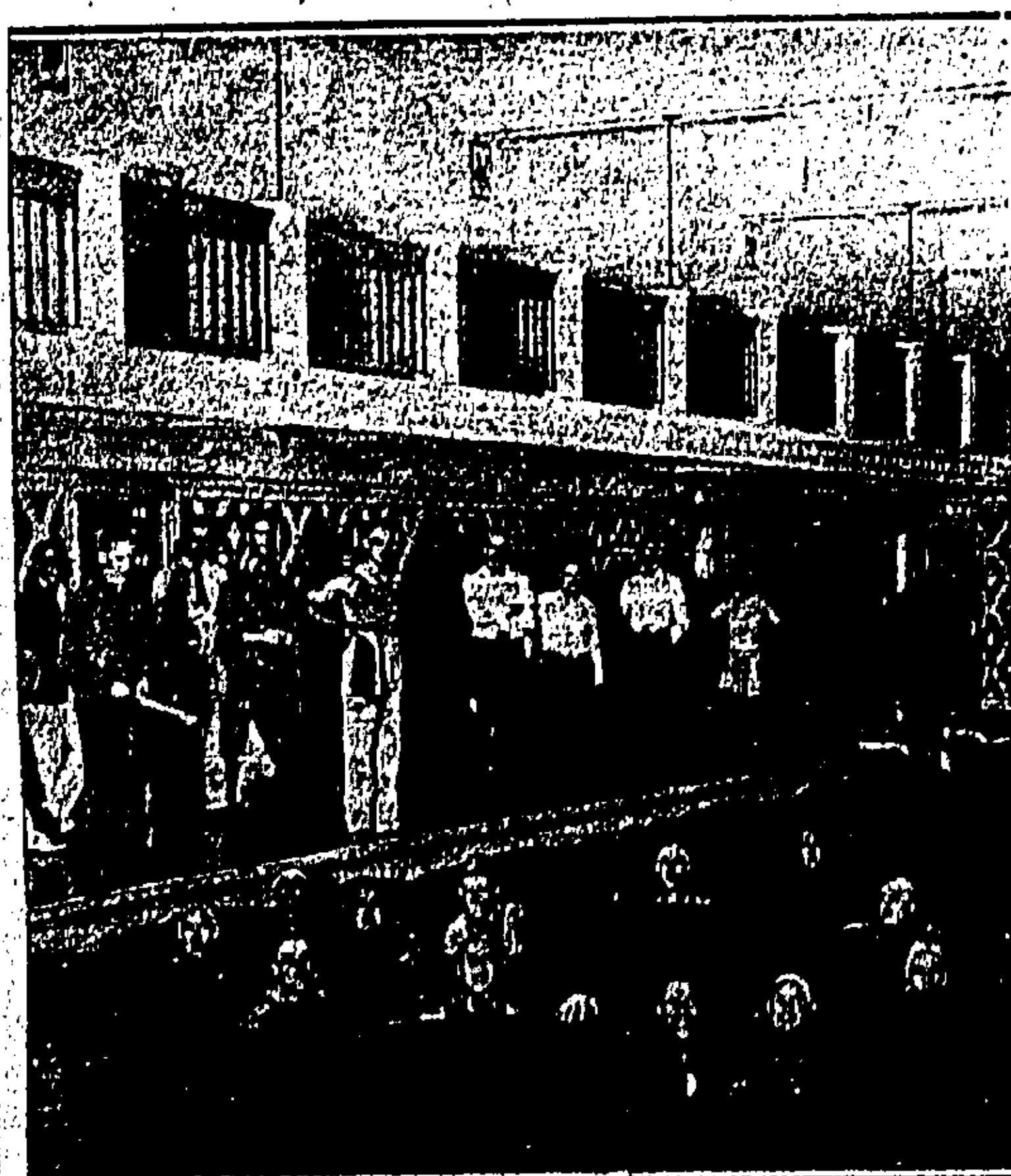
Eight persons were killed and 60 injured when a fast Chicago-to-New Orleans passenger train jumped the rails and sidetrucked another Illinois Central passenger train standing on a parallel track. A large iron pipe that fell from a freight car is blamed. These pictures were taken while dead and injured were being removed from the overturned coaches.



Mr. S. A. Melosavin, seated in the centre of the group, is shown at a farewell dinner and presentation given him by his fellow officers on board the Revenue Cruiser Chuentiao prior to his departure recently for South America. From left to right, standing, are: Messrs. Drummond, Morpeth, Brown and Walker. Seated are Messrs. Potoloff, Horden, Melosavin, Harlos, Russel and Howell.



The statue of Mercury, a copy in lead of that in Florence by Giovanni da Bologna, which has been set up in the pool in the Great Quadrangle of Christ Church, Oxford. It has been presented by Mr. H. B. Bompas, in memory of his grandfather. (Times copyright).



The opening swimming gala of the new Shanghai Y.M.C.A. bath was held recently. Photograph shows swimmers disporting themselves in the bath before the commencement of a practice water polo game. It gives an idea of the splendid equipment provided.

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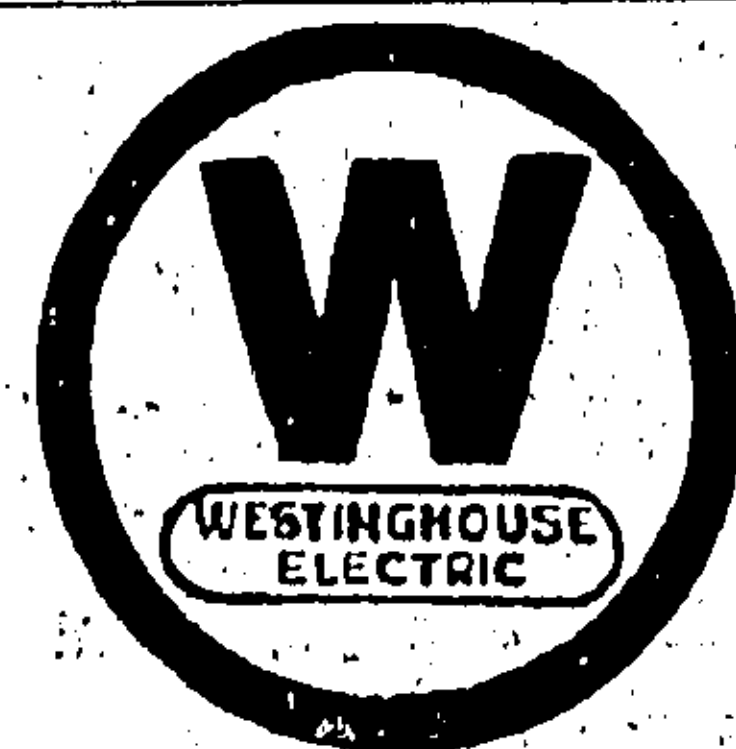
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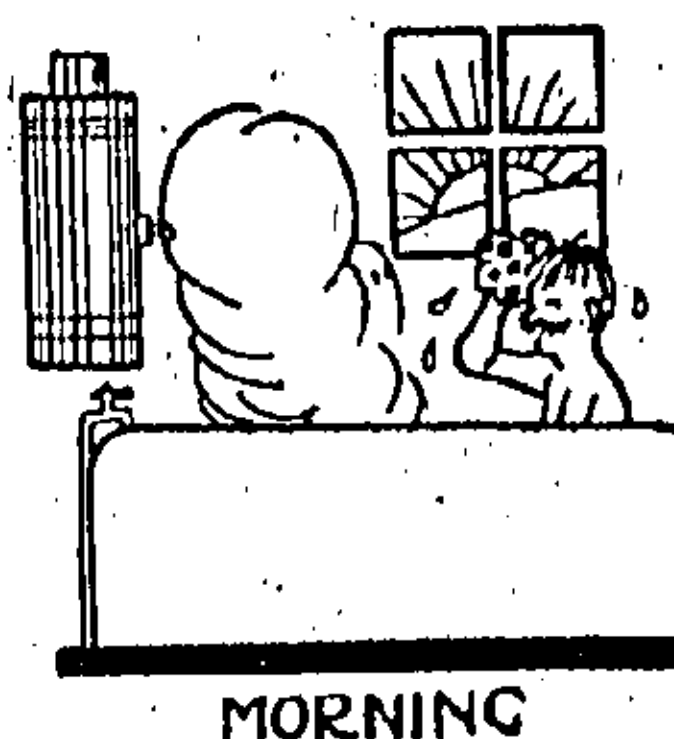


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For the House Wife.

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Tomatoes have a food value little appreciated by the majority of people.

Fifty years ago the tomato was scarcely considered an article of food. Even when it did become ordinary, it was, until a few years ago, excluded from the diet of many people, especially those with a tendency to gout or rheumatism, on the ground that the acid it contained might increase the secretion of uric acid.

Later scientific opinion, however, tends to an opposite view. It is now generally considered that the eating of tomatoes may be a remedy for, rather than a cause of, uric acid. It is now known that, like the tart fruits—apples, pears, &c., this food, though acid when eaten, becomes so changed in the process of digestion as to be alkali-forming in its effect on the blood.

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A ripe tomato is an excellent thirst quencher. The juice, carefully strained, makes a change from orange juice, or in emergency, when no other fruit is at hand, for a bottle-fed baby. It will be taken with relish.

One-Minute Interviews.

MOUTH IS
YOUR KEY
TO BEAUTY.

"I think the mouth is the most important feature of the face, from a standpoint of beauty," said Neyssa McMein, America's most famous woman artist.

"As an index to character, also, the mouth holds the key position. The curve of the lips holds the secret of fascinating in many a face. A beautiful mouth can lend



Neyssa McMein

that intriguing something that gives a woman charm. It can be provocative, or kindly or inspiring.

"I often have thought too few women realize the beauty possibilities in a properly made-up mouth. If they did, the make-up of their lips would have more significance to them.

"All women should use lip-stick. It can do almost magic things. I have seen a mouse of a woman shed her insignificance and emerge a thing of beauty by the proper make-up.

"The line of the mouth should be followed in make-up. But the colour of the lip-stick is what is most important, in getting the

Children's Frocks.

SMOKING GREATLY IN
FAVOUR.

A touch of blue and red cross-stitch on white voile, or a bit of fairy smoking in a number of harmonious colours, is all that is needed on the tiny little garment for Miss Two-to-Five, to give it that chic air that the present mode for things Czechoslovakian imports, and in the frocks for summer days, this note is never lacking.

Pastel silks, voiles, and pongee are used to fashion the small dresses and the smoking is found on the yokes, or decorates the pockets, while, often, an added peasant effect is gained by the use of a cross-stitched border just above the hem, or the introduction of a small standing collar, fastened in the front by a gay coloured cord and tassel. Frocks of this nature are very smart, and readily appeal, not only to the mother, but to the little girl herself.

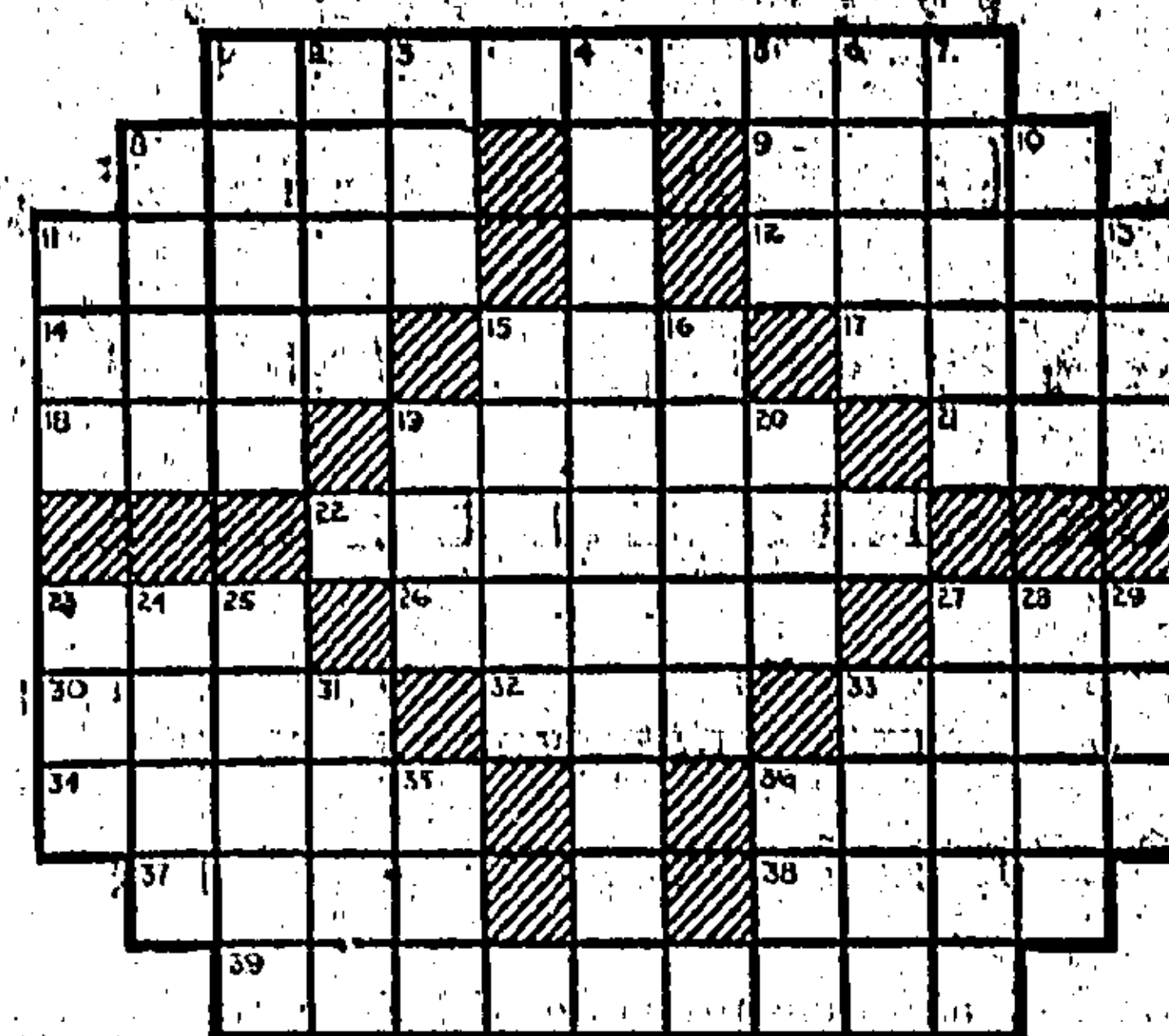
With the pouched blouse and most silk jumper dresses, a belt is a foregone conclusion. It is of the same material, and a very new idea is to fasten it with a paste buckle.

Fringe is another accessory, which is being very much used this year. In black, grey, white, and in colour, as well as in silver, gold, and beads, fringe is put on to dance and dinner dresses of georgette, satin, silk, and any other material that is suitable to such dresses.

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"Of course make-up cannot create a stunningly lovely thing of a mouth that is grossly unpleasant or mean and ugly. But, it can give the illusion of loveliness. That is why I repeat that the make-up of the lips is tremendously important, because the mouth holds the strategic position from the standpoint of beauty."

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Horizontal

1. Plots together.
8. Sport.
9. Greedy.
11. A finger or toe.
12. Woman who has lost her husband by death and has not remarried.
14. To connive at.
15. Farewell!
17. Light open cotton fabric.
18. Cat.
19. A shout of applause.
21. Lair of a beast.
22. That which serves to confine a vessel to its place.
23. Work of genius.
26. Four-lined hood.
27. Pot used in tanning.
30. Consomme.
32. Portion of a drama.
33. Knobby mallet.
34. The common gannet.
36. Frozen.
37. Slush.
38. Dry.
39. Assumed.

Vertical

1. Confined.
2. To leave out.
3. Mosh of loco.
4. To quibble.
5. Uncooked.
6. Bad.
7. Embraced the opinions of one

8. To scoff.
10. Flashed.
11. Any flat fish.
13. Was victorious.
15. Fragrant odour.
16. To put out (a person) by legal process.
19. Feather scarf.
20. Unit.
23. Almost a donkey.
24. Compartment in a house.
25. Dull flower.
27. Found on fact.
28. Sour.
29. To scatter hay.
31. Young salmon.
33. Bare.
35. Born.
36. To wander idly about.

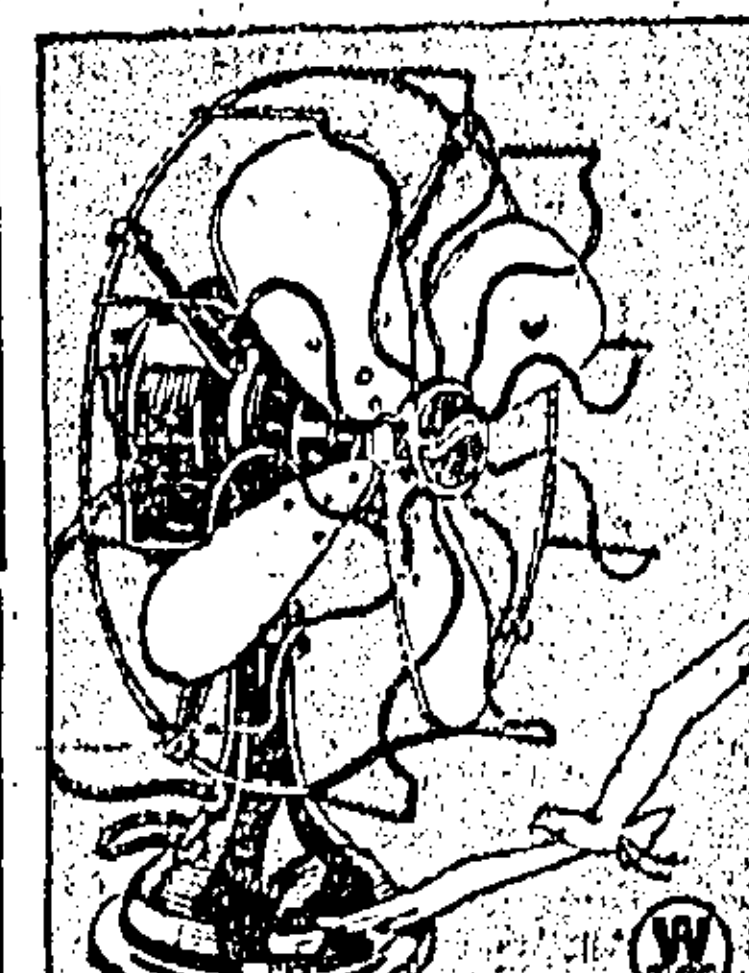
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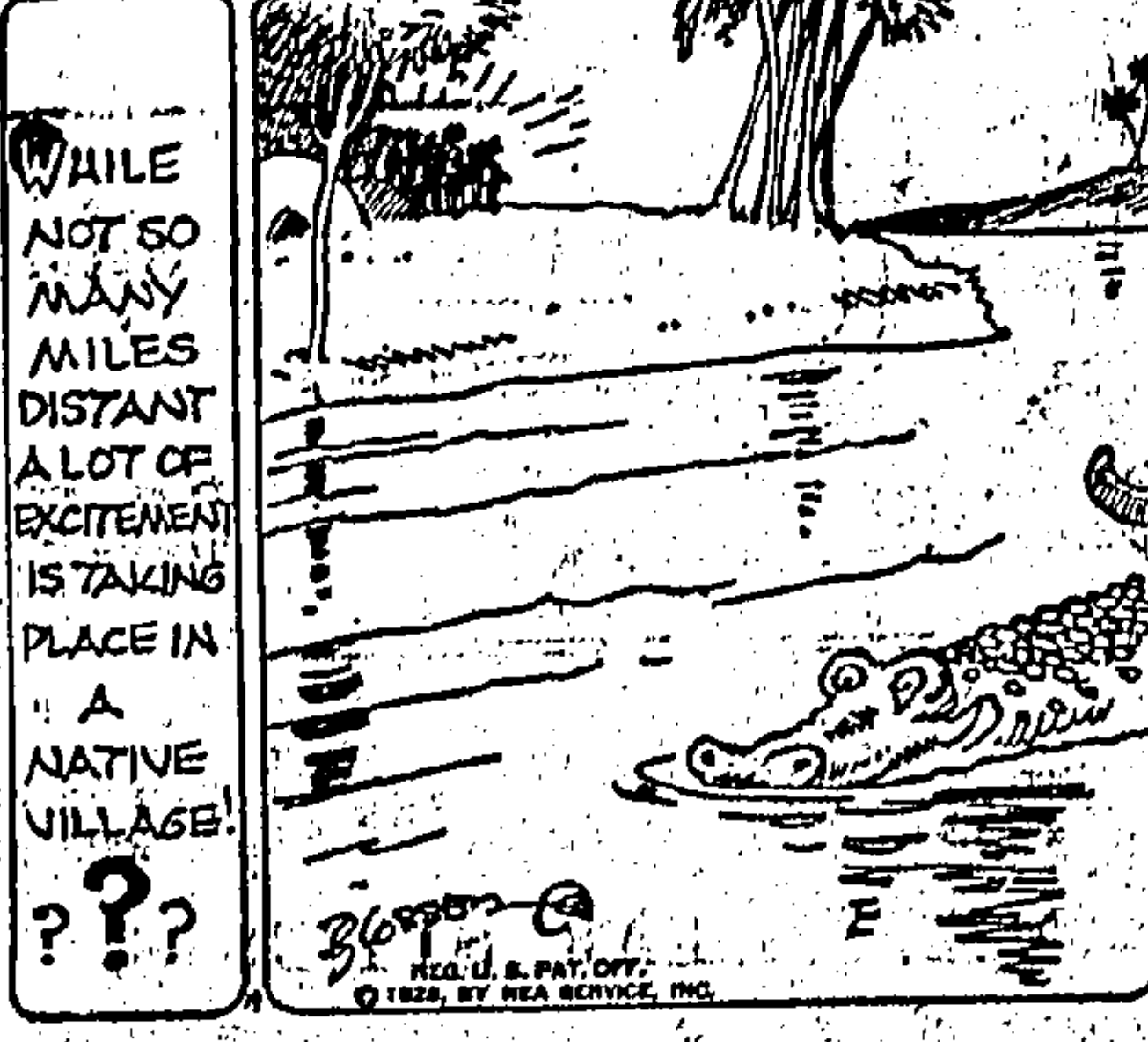
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THURSDAY, SEPT. 20, 1928.

DISARMAMENT.

Naval disarmament is again to the fore at Geneva, but, judging from reports of the latest deliberations, there does not seem much prospect of any definite headway being made in the immediate future. The latest suggestion put forward is that a private meeting should be summoned of the French, British, United States, Italian and Japanese delegates to the Disarmament Commission, the gathering to be held in Paris. Underlying this idea there would appear to be a distinct anxiety on the part of France to get the situation reviewed before the next meeting of the Commission, which has been fixed for 1931. Indeed, M. Boncour, the French delegate, has even suggested the holding of a conference either at the end of this year or at the beginning of next. No doubt the fact that the British and French Governments have been able to reach a common viewpoint on the question is a factor contributing to this desire, but at the moment there has been no official intimation of how the other Naval Powers view that development. It has been rumoured that the compromise might not be acceptable to some of the Governments to which details of the suggested arrangement have been communicated, and there has been a hint that it may be necessary for Britain and France to put their proposal in some other form, in order to meet possible objections.

Lord Cushendun, in his latest statement on the subject, has made it clear that Britain would most likely oppose any undue hastening of the convening of the Disarmament Commission. He no doubt has in mind the regrettable failure of the last conference and is anxious that the ground shall be so well prepared in advance that there may be no fears of a second fiasco. It is true, of course, that Britain and France have now got close together on this question, but as the British delegate pointed out a week or so ago, an agreement made between two States is not always acceptable to a third, and in such an event negotiations and amendments are often necessary. In other words, the task of securing anything like unanimity of viewpoint on such a big subject as disarmament can only be accomplished by gradual steps, and the more obstacles that are removed before

the conference chamber is reached, the greater likelihood will there be of eventual success. It must not be inferred, however, that no progress has been made in disarmament in recent years. To take Britain as a case in point, the personnel of its Navy has been reduced by some 40,000 men since 1914, whilst more than 200 war craft, totalling two million tons, have been scrapped, to say nothing of the reductions which have taken place in the Army. Japan is apparently keen on disarmament, for Baron Sato has recently suggested that agreement should be reached on limitation of armaments compatible with national security as a preliminary step, with a big conference later to enlarge the initial results attained.

There is, in fact, reason to believe that practically all countries would welcome the making of definite progress in the direction of disarmament, but there is an obvious desire that if a programme is to be decided upon, all the principal Powers should be a party to it. The outlay of war, as reflected by the widespread adherence to the Kellogg Pact, should provide the spur to the movement, for, if the signatories mean what they say, they could all lessen the unproductive burden represented by heavy expenditure on the fighting services. The difficulty, however, is to find a formula which shall be acceptable to each and every nation, especially as opinions differ on the point of adequate means for the preservation of national security. If any delay in calling a fresh conference has the result of clearing away misunderstandings on this point and making an eventual understanding more likely, then nothing will have been lost by waiting a little longer.

The Autogiro and Aviation.

Though it is perhaps early to attempt an assessment of the value to aviation of Senor De La Cierva's invention, the flight across the English Channel of his autogiro or windmill plane, marks a very distinct step in aerial progress. After unsuccessful experiments extending over a period of many years, with big Government prizes as a lure to inventors, it can at least be said that the world has at last produced a machine capable of almost vertical ascent and descent, and of sustained flight. Without a doubt, aeronautical experts throughout the world are watching the performances of his machine with extreme interest, though it has already been revealed that one serious defect has to be overcome. Great hopes may, however, be held out. Even in its present form, the machine is a remarkable achievement, and we may be certain that anything which is efficient to the extent proved, can be perfected by further research and experiment. The autogiro presents two unusual features, since it combines the principles of the helicopter, or vertical ascent and descent machine, and the ornithopter, or machine that flaps its wings like a bird. The fault to be overcome is that when descending the pilot experiences the unpleasant sensation of heading for a crash. What is far more important at the moment, however, is the fact that Senor De La Cierva yesterday flew from Croydon to Boulogne via Lympne and Cape Grisnez without mishap. Beside the ordinary aeroplane, the autogiro presents an unorthodox, indeed an extraordinary appearance, accentuated in flight. Its strange, somewhat grotesque structure and the manner of its flight may provide food for the sceptics; in fact, it is almost natural that the first impulse should be one of diffidence in accepting its potentialities. It must not be forgotten, however, that this is only a beginning. It is within the memory of many that Mr. A. V. Roe, in the early days of flying, was arrested for proposing to commit suicide inasmuch as he contemplated a flight across the Channel in the machine from which the majority of heavier-than-air craft have evolved. It is probable that the modern aeroplane has been developed to an extent which precludes usurpation of its position by any new invention of the autogiro type. Nevertheless it is obvious that aviation has a very large vacant place which only the helicopter can fill. It seems fairly certain that future development will be largely along the lines commenced by Senor De La Cierva, and therefore, yesterday's flight may be heralded as marking the opening of a new era in the conquest of the air.

DAY BY DAY.

A SCHOOLBOY'S TALE, THE WONDER OF AN HOUR.—Lord Byron.

A Chinese case of puerperal fever was notified yesterday.

The Harbour Office notifies that Murray Pier will be closed for repairs lasting about three months, as from Monday next.

The s.s. Fooching, from Tsing-tao, reports encountering typhoon weather, necessitating the vessel taking shelter in Nimrod Sound.

The mail from England via Siberia by the s.s. Achilles, arriving this morning, consisted of 636 bags, which were distributed during the forenoon.

Mr. B. Saltan and Mr. J. Wong, of No. 151, Kowloon Tong, were each fined \$5 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning for allowing their dogs to be abroad without muzzles.

The case in which Mr. and Mrs. A. Howarth sued Mrs. L. R. Young for damages arising from alleged detention of baggage was concluded yesterday afternoon, when Mr. Justice Jacks reserved judgment.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on a Chinese by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning when Mr. P. J. O'Brien, Inspector of the S. P. C. A., charged the man with causing unnecessary cruelty to three pigs by failing to supply matting to their crates.

On the application of the defence, the case in which Mr. E. D. Shanks charged a motor car driver with refusing hire when disengaged, was adjourned by W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, till Friday, the 28th inst., the defendant having instructed a solicitor to appear on his behalf.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 16 arrivals and the same number of departures, of which six under each heading were British, leaving 55 vessels in harbour, British 20. British vessels topped the heavy records under both headings, with Japanese and Danish holding next best place inward and through respectively.

Deaths at sea are reported by the s.s. Ilo Sang from Cebu and Singapore, and the s.s. Devanwongse from Tourane and Hoihow. The Ilo Sang carried 454 Atlantic deck passengers and two of these died en route, one from beri-beri and the other from angina pectoris, both bodies being buried at sea. The ship's steward of the s.s. Devanwongse died from heart failure, the body in this case also being buried at sea.

Mr. F. Owston, formerly of Yokohama, Japan, who died at Saling Lodge, Hill Road, Lower Bourn, Farnham, Surrey, on January 27, last year, left Hongkong estate to the value of \$1,800, while net personality in England amounts to \$1,745. Rescaling of probate has been granted to Mr. M. H. Turner, of Messrs. Dencoms, who is the attorney of the widow, Mrs. E. F. Owston, living at Saling Lodge, to whom everything is bequeathed.

"THE BIRTH OF A NATION."

SUPER-FILM SHOWING AT THE WORLD.

The directing genius of D. W. Griffith has left its impress on the emotional scenes in "The Birth of a Nation," a film rightly described as a super-production, which is being shown at the World Theatre. Throughout the big scenes which reproduce the turbulent epoch of the American Civil War, runs the thread, at times no more than sketched, of a tender love story, appealing because of its very simplicity. It is the first effective illustration of Griffith's method of screening a simple love story while using big scenes as backgrounds to emphasise the theme.

The war between the Federal and Confederate States, and the big issue of negro slavery, are two features of the big scenes. In the end we are shown the rising of a horde of hooded and masked riders, the Ku Klux Klan, wielding a power for good or evil.

Lillian Gish, who ever must remain as a Griffith discovery, heads a cast which includes many other stars who owe their rise to screen fame to this the first big production of the famous director.

As advertised, the picture is being shown until Saturday. Owing to its length, there are only three screenings, daily, commencing promptly at 2.30, 6.30 and 9.20 promptly. At the last-named performance, the Theatre orchestra, now much improved, will be in attendance with a programme of appropriate music.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To MOTORCYCLISTS.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—With about ten days to go before the entries close for the Illuminated Motor Procession, organised by the H.K.A.A., for the second night of the Grand Tattoo, it has been found that the motor-cyclists of the Colony have not supported the event as was anticipated.

This, I have gathered in conversation with several motor-cyclists, is not due to lack of enthusiasm, but rather to the difficulty of decorating their cycles, or discovering original ideas, and perhaps, to a certain degree, of shyness.

I have been deputed to help with the motor-cycle section, and I

About Hong Kong.

Do you know that—

Sulphur Channel (between Hongkong and Green Island) got its name from H.M.S. Sulphur, which was the ship on which, in 1841, Captain Belcher carried out the first survey of Hongkong Harbour?

The first proper survey of the New Territories was not carried out until 1899-1900, and that it was conducted by Mr. Tate, Government Surveyor, after whom was named Tate's Pass and Tate's Cairn, in the Kowloon Range?

Gap Rock Lighthouse, 35 miles south of Hongkong, was erected in the year 1883?

Green Island Lighthouse was erected in July, 1875?

would ask, through the courtesy of your columns, that all motor-cyclists who would be willing to participate in a concerted action in this event, get in touch with me at the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, at the earliest opportunity, when a meeting could be arranged, and all details fixed up.

Time is short, and any action must be taken at once, so it would be as well if those keen on this item would ring me up without delay, (K.1871) so that plans may be made.

Again thanking you for this courtesy.—Yours, etc.,

P. Sands,
Assistant Secretary.
Kowloon, Sept. 19th, 1928.

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

THE LATEST CHANGES.

Mr. F. Jenkins, second officer, Fengtien, has gone extra second officer, Kanchow. Mr. R. Curnew, from reserve, has gone second officer, Fengtien.

Mr. J. W. Smith has been appointed extra second officer, Hsin Peking.

Mr. D. M. Holmes has been appointed second officer, Shengking.

Mr. I. Newton, chief officer, Fatshan, has gone chief officer, Antung.

Mr. W. Dickinson, chief officer, Antung, has gone chief officer, Taikoo Wan Yi. Mr. A. F. Maginnis, chief officer, Taikoo Wan Yi, has gone chief officer, Fatshan.

Mr. F. Appleton, from reserve, has gone third engineer officer, Shengking.

Mr. J. W. Anderson, second engineer officer, Ichang, is on reserve.

Mr. A. Urwin, second engineer officer, Anhui, has gone second engineer officer, Fatshan.

Mr. E. R. McDermid, second engineer officer, Antung, is on Home leave.

Mr. D. Short, second engineer officer, Taikoo Wan Yi, is on Home leave. Mr. W. M. Chapman, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Taikoo Wan Yi.

Mr. D. McPherson has been appointed second officer, Kutwo.

Mr. R. W. Draney, second officer, Mingsang, has gone extra second officer, Yatsing. Mr. T. A. Howard, second officer, Kutwo, has gone second officer, Mingsang.

Mr. G. Porterfield, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Loongwo.

Mr. J. Meale, third engineer officer, Loongwo, has gone to shore employment.

Mr. H. E. Swaine, from reserve, has gone third engineer officer, Wai-shing. Mr. H. Turner, third engineer officer, Wai-shing, has gone temporary third engineer officer, Kutwo.

Mr. A. Paton, second engineer officer, Kutwo, is on reserve.

Mr. I. S. Holmes, chief engineer officer, Pingwo, is on reserve.

Mr. D. W. Pollock, third engineer officer, Suifu, has gone acting second engineer, Pingwo.

Captain E. Walker, of the Hathong, has gone master, Haining.

Mr. E. W. Lawson, chief officer, Haining, has gone extra chief officer, Haining.—Shipping and Engineering.

The Very Idea!

A previous tenant of one of a row of cottages at Measham, Leicestershire, for which no owner could be traced, has claimed the house on the ground that the length of occupancy has given him the right of ownership, and he has sold the dwelling for £3. When occupied, it was let for 1s. a week. Ashby-de-la-Zouch Rural District Council had passed a resolution to serve notices for the closing of the houses, because they were a danger to the public. When, however, the Council sought to find the owners, they could not be traced. It was learned that the houses were a legacy of the old "ragged voting" days when blocks of property were parcelled out for votes.

The seaside visitor sought the landlady of the house where he was staying, and began to make complaints. She listened until her patience became exhausted.

"Please don't think I'm ignorant," he wound up, "I know all the tricks of your trade. Do you think I've lived in boarding-houses for fifteen years for nothing?"

"I shouldn't be surprised," replied the landlady coldly.

I dislike jazz extremely on the ground that it makes no real contribution to music.—Dame Ethel Smyth.

The food of this country to-day is purer and less adulterated than it has ever been before.—Dr. James Fenton.

These are days of impatience of anything beyond a quarter of an hour or twenty minutes' sermons.—Canon E. O. Jones.

It is our duty to make it as easy as possible for members to get into the House of Commons.—Sir W. Joynson-Hicks.

Mr. Arthur Hetherington, of Middlesbrough, has received anonymously three one-dollar bills in an envelope, postmarked Newark, New Jersey, U.S.A., with a letter saying: "Please find enclosed twelve shillings. I once took some coppers out of your mother's house. I return them with interest. From one who is sorry."

The envelope was addressed to Mr. Hetherington, at the Grey Horse Hotel, Stockton, which he left fourteen years ago. "I can only think the sender is someone who acted as a domestic servant to my mother," Mr. Hetherington said. "It must have been a long time ago, because my mother has been dead thirty-four years. Apparently the trivial theft has weighed on the conscience of the sender all these years."

A clerical correspondent sends to a Home paper a brief poem which he received from a brother in Vancouver. He thinks it is so touching that readers should have the benefit of it. Here it is:

There was a young woman of Ryde
Who ate some green apples
and died.

For within the lamented
They quickly fermented,
And made elder inside her
inside.

One does not imagine that this is the product of Vancouver's native industry, but rather a re-exported article. It reminds a writer, however, of another poetical effort, which deals with the canning industry, for which Vancouver is famous, and which is the fruit of purely local talent:

A canner uncommonly canny
Thus chanted one day to his
granny,

"A canner can can
All a canner can can,
But a canner can't can a can,
can he?"

Willesden mother: I want to summon my daughter. I have brought up fifteen of them, and she is the only one with a temper.

Solicitor at Lambeth: Was the motor-car driven between the tramway lines and the kerb? Witness: No. Between the kerb and the tramway lines.

Hounslow inquest witness: I am here to do justice to my fellow countrymen.

Bookmaker at Grimsby: I am simply working for Mr. Churchill.

Barriester at Shoreditch: Your Christian name? Man: Bill. Barriester: Does that mean William? Man: No, plain Bill.

Following the recent presentation of certificates to qualified students, the China Ladies' Hairdressing Salon has opened its first branch, for ladies only, at No. 5, D'Agall Street, and a second branch, for both sexes, on the ground floor of the Kayamall Building. The hygienic methods employed, as well as the courtesy of the assistants, are attracting numerous customers.

A VLADIVOSTOK
OUTRAGE.BRITISH SEAFARER
IMPRISONED.THREE MONTHS IN FILTHY
SOVIET PRISON.

TRIED BY A WOMAN.

Shanghai, Sept. 15.

After serving a term of imprisonment in a filthy Soviet prison and being subjected to the most intolerable indignities, Mr. W. H. S. Ward, a British mercantile marine officer, has come to Shanghai from Vladivostok and has brought with him a most singular story of the administration of justice by the Bolsheviks.

Mr. Ward was second engineer of the British str. Beckenham, which arrived at Vladivostok on June 16 with a cargo of the Soviet Mercantile Fleet. The unloading facilities were very meagre and discharging was, therefore, slow, which caused the vessel to remain in port for some weeks.

Mr. Ward had been ashore a dozen times at least during the three weeks prior to the incident which resulted in his imprisonment. During all these visits ashore, he was never questioned nor was he asked, either by word or gesture, to produce his passport.

Stopped by Sentry.

At about 11:45 p.m. on July 6 he returned to his ship and, whilst proceeding from one deck to another, he was violently pulled by the back of his coat by one of the many military sentries stationed on board by the Soviet Government.

On the spur of the moment, Mr. Ward knocked the hand which pulled his coat away and told the sentry, in English, to go away. The sentry could not understand English and appeared to be of the uneducated class. Having told the sentry to get out, Mr. Ward went into his room and went to sleep but, at about 2 a.m. the next day, some officers of the guardship came on board and, through the officer on watch, awakened Mr. Ward. They told him that they would return later and that he should hear more about his little incident with the guard.

Tried by Young Woman.

The next next intimation Mr. Ward had of the affair was on July 9, when the Chief of Police and the agent of the Soviet Mercantile Fleet came on board and asked him to accompany them ashore to make a statement which he willingly did because the nature of the incident was so trivial.

After asking many unimportant questions, his interrogators asked Mr. Ward if he had struck the sentry, to which he replied that he had not. He admitted that he had knocked the sentry's hand away but denied striking him. He said also that he thought that, being aboard his own ship, there was no necessity to show his passport to anyone, and that, if the sentry had been doing his duty, the latter should have shot him then and there if he had struck him. He was told to appear later before a civil court, which he did a few days later.

When he appeared before this tribunal, he found that his judge was a young woman, who was assisted by another young woman and a young man. Who the latter were Mr. Ward did not know.

He was given a defending solicitor who spoke a little English but there was no official interpreter. This difficulty was overcome when a man who spoke some English was brought in, voluntarily, from outside.

Three-Month Sentence.

The charge against Mr. Ward was that he struck the guard and that he failed to produce his passport when called upon to do so. His defence was that he had been ashore so many times before without being accosted that he thought that all the guards were familiar with him and that there was no necessity to show his passport. He said also that, being on board a British ship, he considered himself in England and, therefore, his passport was not required, but he was prepared to show it to anyone who asked him, by word or gesture, on shore.

As to the alleged assault of the sentry, he admitted whipping his hand away from behind his coat but denied actually or wilfully striking the man. The result was that he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with forced labour, without the option of a fine.

Different from England.

An appeal was lodged but this was unsuccessful. The Soviet

DISASTROUS FIRE IN
CANTON.OVER TWO HUNDRED HOUSES
DESTROYED.

MANY NOW HOMELESS.

Following the big fire which destroyed more than 100 houses in the Fong Chuen suburb, Canton, some ten days ago, another big conflagration broke out in the Shadi suburb, near Taishatan, Canton, early on Wednesday morning resulting in some 250 houses being gutted.

The first alarm was given at the Hop Sing Grocery shop, when volumes of smoke and flames were seen emanating from the premises. The rapidity with which the fire spread is explained by the fact that a large number of the houses in the district are of the matchless type. All the Fire Brigade detachments in the district were soon on the scene and they endeavoured to check the flames and met with a certain measure of success.

Unfortunately, probably due to some burning debris dropping on a nearby bamboo workshop, named Tin Kat, a second fire broke out in the section of the district with the result that work of fighting the fire was greatly hindered. After a short while, yet another fire broke out in another nearby shop, occupied by a firewood dealer.

At this juncture, when it became apparent that the brigades in the local district were not able to control the outbreak a message was immediately dispatched to the city for assistance. The brigades on the East Bund, which is near to the scene of the fire, were the first to respond to the call.

Again difficulties were encountered, however, for Shadi and the East Bund are separated by a creek and in consequence only the smaller fire engines could get to the scene.

For fully three hours the three fires raged, and, needless to say, the refugees, most of whom were of the poorer class and small traders, were in a most distressed condition and the scene was one of great confusion.

The blaze was eventually got under control at 5.30 in the morning. The loss is estimated at over \$100,000.

It is alleged that the origin of the fire was incendiary, but this has not been confirmed.

Most of the occupants of the destroyed matchless were boatmen, hundreds of whom are now homeless. These people held a big meeting shortly after the fire and they decided to send a joint appeal to the many charitable societies in Canton for relief.

Despite the seriousness of the outbreak, so far no casualty has been reported, but a large number of chickens and pigs were destroyed in the fire.

said "You must not knock our policemen about as you do in England."

On July 24, a young officer and a young woman came on board the str. Beckenham and asked Mr. Ward to go ashore with them. They did not mention that he was going to be detained.

He was taken to a sub-station and detained in a temporary prison all night and the next morning, at eight o'clock, he was taken from this place by a policeman with a loaded revolver and marched through the streets. Incidentally, he was not permitted to walk on the pavement.

Filthy Prison.

He was taken to the prison of Vladivostok and there placed in a most congested cell with four Koreans. There was only sufficient room for four rough beds and the place was filthy. There was little ventilation and the room was very damp. After he had been there for half an hour, a Russian from one of the other cells who was able to speak a little English came to the cell and spoke to him, asking if he were English. Upon Mr. Ward replying that he was, the man said he would see someone and try to get him into his cell. This he did and Mr. Ward found himself in a cell with three Russians as fellow prisoners. Conditions in this cell were similar to the other.

Better Conditions Obtained.

Upon being admitted to this place, Mr. Ward immediately wrote a letter to the manager of the International Club, telling him of the awful conditions as he found them and said that he thought it was extremely bad treatment for a British mercantile officer. He concluded that, after this letter had been translated in the office of the captain of the prison, arrangements were made to remove him to the hospital, where conditions were a little better.

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MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

To-night's Concert—Melba and "Sing 'em Muck"—The Franck Symphony Interruption—Specially Recommended Records.

[By "ALLEGRO"]

Miss Cecilia Hansen gives another violin recital at the Theatre Royal to-night. I am glad to see she is playing one of the three Grieg Violin and Piano Sonatas, presumably the great one in C minor, judging from the tempo indications given on the programme. The middle movement is one of the most beautiful of Grieg's inspirations, while the Finale is an exciting race between piano and violin, each instrument echoing the other, so much so that after the performance of it in Shanghai once, one lady was greatly put out because the players "never kept together."

The Gluck Melodie was played here by Zimbalist and the Symphonie Espagnole of Lalo by Thibaud, both being well-known pieces in the violinist's repertoire. These two, together with Paganini's Preludium and Allegro and a miscellaneous group, comprise the attractive programme. It is certain that Miss Hansen, in view of her success here last month, will be accorded a warm reception.

Not a few were puzzled lately on reading in the papers that Melba had had a great ovation on her return to Australia, notwithstanding the "Sing 'em muck" episode, to which much publicity had been given. What was this "Sing 'em muck" episode? No body knew anything about it. But at last the mystery is solved. In a biography of Dame Clara Butt, written by Miss Winifred Ponder, there are frequent references to Melba, according to Musical Opinion: "The Rumboldts were about to make a first tour in Australia, and Melba, being Australian, was naturally interested. Whether or not Miss Ponder was at hand to make a shorthand note of what Melba said is not stated, but the story is quoted as saying: 'So you are going to Australia. Well, I made twenty thousand pounds on my tour there, but of course that will never be done again. Still, it's a wonderful country, and you'll have a good time. What are you going to sing? All I can say is, sing 'em muck: it's all they can understand!'

"What the Rumboldts made on this tour is not stated; but although they sang some popular songs and ballads, they included 'classical items' in their programmes, and the Australian audiences proved quite as appreciative of the latter as of the former. There were even special requests for Giordani, Handel, Schumann and Schubert. Quite so; but if the 'classical' stuff goes down as well as the 'muck', why do our singers of the Melba-Butt type sing the 'muck'?"

No satisfactory explanation of that predilection of theirs has ever been forthcoming. It is reasonable to assume that a singer with the populace at her feet can persuade her public to listen to anything. Most critics will agree to place Melba as a vocalist in a class above Dame Butt; but most will also place them together in a class whose influence on the popular taste of

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HEAVY FIGHTING IN
THE NORTH.FENGTIEN FORCES DEFEATED
BY CHANG CHUNG-CHANG.

SURRENDER MOOTED.

Heavy Fighting.

A Nationalist report received in Hongkong by naval wireless states that the Shantung-Chihli troops in the Lianhsien-Anshan area have been disarmed by the Fengtien Army.

Chang Chung-chang has arranged to meet General Pei and also Fang Yu-ting at Lianhsien, and it is understood that they will discuss terms of surrender.

It is reported that there has been heavy fighting west of Changli between the Fengtien forces and the Chihli-Shantung troops. Heavy casualties were sustained by both sides and it is believed that the Fengtien forces met with a temporary reverse.

Reinforcements are now moving west to support the Fengtien troops.

A message from Wushan states that a battle between soldiers and bandits is now in progress in the area between Kweliu and Wushan.

Money for Troops.

Peking, Sept. 19.

According to a report published in the vernacular papers Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has ordered the Salt Commissioner, at Changlu, through the Finance Ministry, to furnish \$1,600,000 before the mid-Autumn festival for the expenses of the Nationalist troops in the Peking and Tientsin area.—*Reuter.*

Bombing Plane Despatched.

Shanghai, Sept. 19.

The Military Council yesterday despatched a bombing plane to assist Pei Chung-hai's forces against the Chihli-Shantung remnants.—*Reuter.*

Naval Manoeuvres.

Shanghai, Sept. 19.

Naval manoeuvres, under the direction of the commanders of the first and second squadrons are to be held in the latter part of this month. Seventeen gunboats are assembled at Tashenkwan, near Nanking, and more are coming from up river and from Nanking.—*Reuter.*

Troop Disbandment.

Shanghai, Sept. 19.

It is reported that an official who was sent to pay off the 46th Army at Paoying Grand Canal on the basis of \$2 for Hunanese and Hupehese and \$1 for Cantonese has been killed by the soldiery.—*Reuter.*

The Kollan Mines.

Peking, Sept. 19.

The mining area around Tongshan is now quiet and all the mines are working normally. Coal trains are running more frequently to Tientsin.—*Reuter.*

The Council of the National Institute of Agricultural Botany have awarded the Snell Memorial Medal for the year 1927 to Professor Paul A. Murphy for his study of the virus diseases of the potato.

SHOP DENUDED OF
STOCK.WAS IT A SEIZURE OR
A PURCHASE?

AN UNUSUAL ACTION.

Cross-actions relating to business transactions between Chinese firms were opened in the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Jackson, when Mr. Justice Jackson, when it was alleged that goods were wrongfully seized to meet a debt and that the value of the goods taken was about three times that of the debt.

Mr. Leo D'Almada remarked that the victimised shop was stripped of all its contents.

The plaintiffs were the Wai Shing Firm, No. 303, Des Voeux Street, West, who sued the Wing Lee Salt Shop, No. 4, Centre Street, ground floor, for \$268.18, being the balance due for goods sold and delivered. The Wing Lee shop brought a cross-action, claiming the return of goods wrongfully taken by the Wai Shing Firm in August valued at \$949.50.

The seized goods included powder salt, prepared salt, raw salt, gunny bags and grass bags. Mr. C. A. S. Russ was for the Wai Shing firm while Mr. Leo D'Almada, senior, acted for the Wing Lee. The actions were taken together.

Different Estimates.

Mr. Russ remarked that as far as he could see the difference between the two cases was, that whereas the defendant firm alleged plaintiffs wrongfully took goods, the latter alleged they purchased them in the ordinary course of business through Wai Shing Cheung-wai, the defendants' salesman. Incidentally, the goods for which the Wing Lee were claiming \$949.50, plaintiffs priced at \$351.51.

After explaining how the amounts were arrived at, Mr. Russ said that the first point for his Lordship to consider was whether plaintiffs did unlawfully take away the defendants' goods or whether they were obtained during the ordinary course of business through their recognised salesman.

If the plaintiff failed on that point, continued Mr. Russ, then they were liable only for the value of the goods and not the contract price. Another point was whether the alleged seized goods were worth \$949.50 or \$300 odd, or something between those two prices.

Wong Kwong-chi, manager and assistant salesman of the Wai Shing firm, said that since the fifth noon he had supplied goods to the defendant. In those transactions he dealt with Wong Cheung-wai, the goods being sold on the order of Li Wang-chung.

Buyers and Sellers.

Since the fifth noon the total value of goods supplied to the defendant firm was \$1,224.93 and of that amount \$600 had been paid by four instalments, leaving a balance of \$624.93 which was admitted.

Witness added that in turn his firm had bought goods from defendants, the purchases being made through Wong Cheung-wai. It was not true that his firm took the goods unlawfully as they were purchased through the proper channels.

Replying to Mr. D'Almada, in cross-examination, witness said it was not true that on August 7, because the defendant firm owed \$600 odd, he directed some folks, in the absence of the manager, to take away goods from the defendants' shop. The goods they bought were not worth \$600 odd. He did not act in collusion with Wong Cheung-wai.

Mr. D'Almada:—You know, if you bought these goods, you bought everything from the shop, leaving nothing, not even a single gunny bag?—We did not buy up everything in the shop.

The case was adjourned.

BRASS HIDDEN IN HAT.

DOCK WORKMAN FINED
AT KOWLOON.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, a Chinese workman of the Kowloon Docks was charged, before Mr. W. Schofield, with stealing three pieces of brass. Mr. "Kia" Marriott prosecuted.

Sub-inspector James told his Worship that the defendant was searched after leaving the docks last night, and, on his hat being taken off, one brass ring was found resting on his head. He was immediately taken to the Police Station where a thorough search of the defendant was made by the police. In one of his pockets another piece of brass was discovered, while concealed inside the lining of his hat the police found a third piece.

The defendant, who was stated to have been ten years in the employ of the Dock, was fined \$25, or three weeks' hard labour.

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FINAL BASEBALL MATCH.

FILIPINOS WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The baseball final between the South China "Dragons" and the Filipino Baseball Club, which was played yesterday afternoon, before a gathering that must have numbered well over a thousand, proved to be a Herculean struggle between the two teams, from which the Filipinos emerged with flying colours.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, accompanied by the American Consul General, Mr. Roger Tredwell, arrived shortly after the game started. Sir Shou-son Chow and other officials of the South China Association were at the grand stand long before the official party.

Winning the toss, Hachuma, who captained the Filipino team, put the Dragons in to bat first. A deafening cheer went up from the multitude of Chinese supporters as Tom Chinn sent a fly to left field which was dropped. Chinn managed to reach home on sacrifice hits by his side and scored the only point in that innings for the Chinese. The Filipino's reply was a single through T. Leonard.

In the second innings, the Dragons were blanked, although Zafrá walked no less than three of their players. Good fielding by Bautista and Murata accounted for this. The Filipino's second was scoreless, the batting being poor.

Excitement ran very high when the Chinese, after being two down in the third innings, obtained two points, thanks to Zafrá's erratic pitching, which walked two men. A beautiful hit by K. Chinn brought the two players home. The Filipinos were again blanked.

When both sides were blanked again in the fourth and fifth innings, the Dragons' chances of winning the shield became rosier than ever. In this innings, Zafrá's pitching took a turn and the "Big Boy" began to send them across with deadly accuracy, worrying the Chinese bats who could not score. The fielding in the fifth innings, by both sides, was excellent and faultless. Choy, the Chinese short stop, caught a stinging shot that would have earned the batter at least two bases and Murata, the Filipino short stop, was equally brilliant with a swift grounder.

By a trick of circumstance the Chinese "tail" was in to bat at the sixth innings and, Zafrá's pitching improving all the time, another blank was returned. The Filipino's, on the other hand, had all the stars on the batting order when they went in for the sixth innings, which proved to be the decisive one.

Kusano made a safe hit and reached first base. T. Leonard hit one behind the second base's reach and managed to bring Kusano home. Hachuma sent a perfect one beyond short stop and obtained two bases bringing Leonard home. D. Leonard sacrificed to bring Hachuma to third base. Zafrá sacrificed to bring Hachuma home, to lead the score by 4 points to 3. Rull, who was next up, was struck out.

Requiring one point to tie, the Dragon's batters faced Zafrá in the seventh innings with plenty of confidence. June sent a hard one to Bautista, which, however, was held. Sling filed to second base and the substitute for Shim also sent up a fly. The match thus went to the Filipinos by 4-3 with an innings in hand.

The teams lined out as follows:
Hachuma c. Lee, S. S.
Zafrá p. Lee, S. L.
T. Leonard 1st. T. Chinn
Alvarez 2nd. W. Sling
Murata 3rd. S. S. Choy
Bautista 4th. J. June
D. Leonard 5th. D. Chinn
Kusano 6th. C. F. Shinn
Rull (Mgr.) 7th. H. Sling
Umpires C. P. O. Murtagh and P. O. Eaton of U.S.S. Pampanga.
Score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Total

Dragons 1 0 2 0 0 0 0 3

Filipinos 1 0 0 0 3 4 4

At bat—Dragons 31, Filipinos 24.

Hits—Dragons 2, Filipinos 5.

Two bases—Leonard 2, Hachuma 1, Murata 1.

Errors—Dragons 2, Filipinos 4.

Strike outs—Lee 4, Zafrá 2.

Bases on balls—Zafrá 7.

When the cheering of supporters had subsided, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, left the stand and when the teams had assembled, presented the shield to the winning side. Congratulating them after shaking hands, he expressed his appreciation of the game that had been given and hoped that the keenness of the teams would continue. Cheers were called for and a voice from the crowd responded with "Goodbye to the Dragons." Sir Shou-son Chow consoled his own national side with the remark, "Better luck next time boys."

His Excellency also presented the cup to the Junior League winners, the S. C. Scouts.

Mr. Roger Tredwell, the U. S. Consul-General, speaking for the Baseball Association, expressed appreciation of His Excellency's interest in the game by his presence and support.

A VLADIVOSTOK OUTRAGE.

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He was accordingly removed and the next morning he volunteered for work, which meant a reduction of his sentence, and was put on the readjustment of some old fumigating plant. After three weeks in the hospital, he was sent to the best room in the building with a Russian but he still worked from 7 to 11 a.m. and from 12 noon to 4 p.m. The work took him 20 days, after which Mr. Ward was employed to teach English to the secretary of the prison.

The food in the hospital, which was the best served in the building, consisted of plenty of weak tea, which could not be distinguished from water. At 11 a.m. he was given two potatoes and a square inch of meat with a little soup for a titbit. A saucer full of rice at 4 p.m. made up dinner. He was given 400 grammes of sour white bread to last the whole day. In the cells, there was issued 400 grammes of sour black bread and one basin of potato water at 11 a.m. and a basin of cabbage water at 4 p.m.

There was a store which opened two or three times a week and from his place it was possible to buy bread of the better quality, sugar, fish, tobacco and matches. Mr. Ward would have starved had he not a few roubles in hand which were taken from him when he was admitted to the prison. Some better class Russians were also very kind to him and occasionally gave him something to eat.

Kind in their Way.

The officials in the prison, said Mr. Ward to a representative of the North-China Daily News, when interviewed, were also very kind to him in their way, seeing that he was the first Englishman who had been in the prison.

The captain of his ship and the wireless operator were permitted to see him, but immediately after he had been taken to prison, his pay was stopped and he lost his ship. This, together with the time lost, meant a great deal to a married man like Mr. Ward.

On August 30, Mr. Ward was liberated but, upon his release, he found that there was not a ship available to take him home, his own vessel having left a fortnight after his detention, but, through the courtesy and kindness of Capt. C. E. Hemm, of the motor vessel Glenamoy, he was brought to Shanghai, arriving there on Thursday morning.

Undoubtedly, said Mr. Ward, if there had been a British Consul at Vladivostok to look after his interests, there would not have been any detention at all.

LETTER GOLF.

V	O	T	E	R
P	O	L	L	S

1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW HEW HEN.

2—You can change only one letter at time.

3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.
One solution is printed on another page.

HOCKEY PRACTICE.

The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club has arranged a practice game at King's Park at 5.15 this evening when all intending players are asked to turn up.

In strict confidence, the Hon. Mr. Southern had said that he enjoyed the game almost as much as cricket. As a memento of the occasion Mr. Tredwell asked His Excellency to accept the gift of the first baseball which had been thrown in the current season and that by himself. The ball was mounted on a silver tripod of baseball bats and formed an unique souvenir.

His Excellency replying, said that he had shown a certain amount of interest it was true, but he hoped that next season, if all went well, his interest would be more enthusiastic and that he would attend many more games.

Cheers were then given for all officers of the Association, His Excellency, Mr. Tredwell, Sir Shou-son Chow and the teams concerned.

The victorious team then adjourned to the Craigengower Club to demonstrate, Zafrá, the pitcher, being conveyed to the rendezvous by his overjoyed comrades.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

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their time had to be fought against."

As we referred in these Jottings to the yarn about the Franck Symphony recording being spoilt at the Three Choirs Festival by a lady's interruption during a pause, it is only right that the following paragraph from *Musical Opinion* should be quoted in full:

"It is a pity to spoil a good yarn, but it is time somebody came forward to vouch for the 'silk stockings' story associated with last year's Three Choirs Festival at Hereford. It keeps cropping up in all sorts of places, and has behind it the authority of a monthly bulletin issued by His Master's Voice to the trade. Nearly every daily paper in the country has told it, and every now and then one runs across it in a weekly. It ran to the effect, if memory can be trusted, that while Franck's Symphony was being played, and at a pause in the music, a lady's voice was heard asking a friend to tell her where she purchased the beautiful silk stockings she was wearing. The relentless gramophone recorder what was said, we were told, and as a consequence the recording could not be put on the market. Now the story is not devoid of truth, but there are some who place the occurrence of the incident not at last year's festival, but on an occasion some years before. Being an inquisitive person, I should like to know whether such an incident really happened a second time. I have a passion for collecting coincidences. Also, it would be interesting to know whether anybody in authority is prepared to vouch that Franck's Symphony, on this occasion, was recorded at all. As has been said, it is a pity to spoil a good yarn. But what a better yarn would be available if it could be proved that at a considerable interval, a second Hereford lady was interested in her neighbour's stockings while a musical performance was going on!"

Columbia are bringing out a series of educational records, comprising lectures on different subjects varying from the Pronunciation of Latin to English History. They serve a useful purpose, but whether anyone in Hongkong, outside the University, would wish to listen twenty times to the same lecture is a moot point. As a trial I put on Part 4 of a lecture on the Wireless of the Body; there was much uttering amongst the audience; the professor was telling us how cows get milk!

I am often asked by gramophone fans whether there are any records I can specially recommend as additions to their collection, and since McMurtrie and Anderson's catalogues recently issued show that several favourites have been re-ordered and are now in stock, I append a list of just a few which should make a wide appeal:

Piano.—Naila Waltz (Backhaus), 'One Lives but Once', Waltz, (Rachmaninoff) and Chopin's 24 Preludes (Cortol).
Orchestral.—Tannhauser Overture and Valse de Concert (Glazunov).

Piano.—Naila Waltz (Backhaus), 'One Lives but Once', Waltz, (Rachmaninoff) and Chopin's 24 Preludes (Cortol).
Orchestral.—Tannhauser Overture and Valse de Concert (Glazunov).

Quintet.—Schumann's Quintet, H.M.V.
Orchestral.—Shepherd Fennell's Dance (Gardener) and Two Bavarian Dances (Elgar).
Columbia.

Piano.—Sonata in B Minor (Chopin) (Percy Grainger).
Orchestral.—Summer Days Suite and Wood Nymphs (El Cortes).
Casse. Nolsette Suite (Tschalkowsky).
Trio.—Tschalkowsky's Trio in A minor.

Comic.—A Day's Broadcasting. Jazz.—Hollyhock and Marigold (B. Mayerl, Jazz pianist), My Heart Stood Still (Edythe Baker, Jazz Pianist).

Another similar list will be published in these Jottings in the near future.

With the last batch of Columbia records were a number of recordings by the electrical process of orchestral selections from *Aida*, *Madame Butterfly*, *Tosca*, *La Boheme*, *Mignon*, etc., as well as new selections from the *Show Boat* and *Sunny*. Eva Turner, the English soprano who has made such a hit at Covent Garden, has made records from *Turandot*, Puccini's unfinished opera, and *Aida*. Eva Leont gives a marvellous rendering of the *Bell Song* from *Lakme*. Grieg's Piano Concerto has been played by Friedman who gives a very brilliant performance. One of the best discs of the month is the duet by Evelyn Laye and Geoffrey Gwyther from *Blue Eyes*: "Do I do wrong?"

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INTERPORT LAWN BOWLS.

HANKOW DEFEATED BY SHANGHAI TEAM.

Shanghai defeated the Hankow interport lawn bowls team on the green of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club last week by 35 shots to 12. The game was one sided from the start, the visitors finding the last going too tricky for them after the heavier greens at Hankow. The following were the teams:

Shanghai.—B. P. Phillips (skip), D. McAlister, F. L. Marshall and F. O. Madar.
Hankow.—J. Russell (skip), J. Ross, C. Campbell and E. Lawson Grey.

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EMPEROR OF FRANCE	Feb. 6	Feb. 9	Feb. 12	Feb. 14	Feb. 16
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Southampton, Aug. 24.
"Franklin Hutchinson, 41, married, Church of England, destination, Chateau Frontenac, Quebec."

This entry, contained in the papers of the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Scotland, which sailed from Southampton on August 4, solves the mystery of the whereabouts of the Rev. F. F. Hutchinson, who left Dordrecht, Rotterdam, on July 25, and for whom the Police have been searching all over England.

The vessel returned to Southampton yesterday, and the discovery was made by members of the crew this morning, when they saw the photographs of the missing man.

W. Clark, a steward, immediately recognised a photograph as being that of the Rev. F. Hutchinson, whom he looked after in cabin No. 631 in the tourist accommodation of the Empress of Scotland, while J. Rimmer, the second steward, was equally certain as to the man's identity. They went together to the Canadian Pacific offices and told their story.

Three Suit Cases.

"Mr. Hutchinson had no heavy baggage when he came aboard at Chertsey," Clark stated. "He was carrying three suit-cases and immediately gave me the impression that he was a really nice fellow and a gentleman. He gave his name as the Rev. F. Hutchinson, and never made any endeavour to hide his identity. I had many conversations with him, for he invariably rang for me after he had retired to his cabin, generally 8 p.m. or 8.30 p.m."

"Among the matters we discussed were the prospects offered by Canada to the immigrant, but he never mentioned anything about his private affairs or his home. He showed no eccentricity and he did not impress me as being a sick man, although I noticed that he seemed to be of a rather nervous disposition. There is certainly nothing in the suggestion that he was suffering from loss of memory."

"He wore ordinary lounge suits throughout the voyage, but changed into clerical dress an hour or so before he landed at Quebec. He did not appear to be short of money, and he distributed gratuities to those who had waited on him before he left the ship."

Intended to Return.

Rimmer said that he would have recognised Mr. Hutchinson in a million.

"He was a nice, dapper little man," said Rimmer, "and he spent most of his time in reading. He always brought a book in his hand as he entered the saloon. I understand that he was overheard by a table waiter to have said that he was going to be a master at a college in Canada. From further inquiries in the ship I learned that he also said that he was anxious to see the possibilities Canada offered, but he added that it was his intention to return to England before the end of the year."

The passenger index carried on the vessel classifies passengers into three grades—returning Canadians, visitors, and settlers—and in this the Rev. F. Hutchinson is described as a settler.

Chateau Frontenac, which he gave as his destination, is a C.P.R. hotel, and one of the largest in Canada.

A Tour of Canada.

Montreal, Aug. 24.
The report that the Rev. F. Hutchinson has come to Canada is confirmed at the local offices of the Canadian Pacific Line, where it is stated that Mr. Hutchinson was a passenger in the Empress of

Scotland, which arrived at Quebec on August 11. The Immigration officials understood that he proposed to make a tour of Canada.

His luggage was addressed to the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec, but the hotel officials to-day stated that he left the hotel without giving any forwarding address.

Mr. Hutchinson holds a degree from the University of Toronto, and is believed to have friends in this country.

Police Statement.

The Chief Constable of Essex told a Press representative last night that the police were not making any further inquiries in connexion with the Rev. F. Hutchinson.

"As far as I am concerned, officially," he said, "the matter has dropped. The action which we took was in order to allay a certain amount of anxiety which arisen in connexion with the case. We shall not pursue the matter any further."

"Personally, I thought the Rector was in Ireland, but there was never any question of an official search for him."

When the news of the discovery of the whereabouts of Mr. Hutchinson was communicated yesterday to Miss Thickett, his secretary, at her home at Swinton, Rotherham, she expressed great relief. Asked if she could say why Mr. Hutchinson had gone to Canada, she replied, "No, I cannot." She added that it was a surprise to her.

Notice to Mannervant.

Herbert Straw, the Rector's man-servant, who was traced on Thursday to Newent, Gloucestershire, said yesterday that he heard nothing at all about the Rector's disappearance until Thursday, and, as soon as he heard that the Rector was missing, he communicated with the police.

Straw stated that he received written notice from the Rector to terminate his engagement on July 28, and has since been looking out for a new position.

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NOTED JOCKEY'S MARRIAGE.

PUBLICATION DUE TO JUDGE'S MISTAKE.

A racecourse judge's error was responsible for the public announcement of the secret wedding in the spring of Gordon Richards, the champion jockey, to Miss Margaret Winckle, of Edmund-street, Swindon.

In the 3.30 race at Haydock Park Richards was riding Countess of Hainault, a strong favourite, and he gave permission for an announcement of his wedding to be made if his mount came in first.

Just before the race a thunderstorm broke over the course, and the race was run in torrential rain, the jockey's colours being soaked.

A similarity between the colours worn by Richards and those of Tom Weston on Wypo, led to the judge ordering the hoisting of Countess of Hainault's number as the winner.

The announcement of the marriage was made, according to Richards's promise, and when the numbers were altered was too late to stop it.

Although he is famous, Gordon Richards is one of the most retiring of men and shuns publicity. Hence the secrecy of the wedding and the fact that he hesitated to allow it to become known.

JAPAN'S POLICIES.

PRINCIPLES UPON WHICH THEY SHOULD BE BASED.

Osaka, Sept. 19. Mr. Hamaguchi, leader of the Minseitō, speaking at a party meeting here, referred to three principles upon which Japan's China policies must be constructed. Firstly, he urged they should give China every opportunity to ensure internal peace and unity; secondly, he advocated earnest co-operation with China for realization of the legitimate aspirations of the Chinese people; and thirdly, Mr. Hamaguchi demanded the safeguarding of Japanese rights and interests in China through legitimate means, laying special emphasis on the necessity of knitting together Chinese and Japanese relations based upon economic interdependence.

Japan in Manchuria.

Mr. Hamaguchi elucidating his first point, namely the ensuring of internal peace and unity in China, expressed his disapproval of the advice given to young China in Manchuria to put off throwing in its lot with the Nationalists.

He considers that such advice was useless and ineffective. The leader of the Opposition, however, did not mince matters when he declared his determination firmly to hold Japan's position in Manchuria regardless of what political regime may hereafter be set up there, but simultaneously he strongly refused to charge Japan with trying to set up an independent state or protectorate.

Mr. Hamaguchi pointed out that it has been persistently and consistently Japan's fixed national policy to uphold China's territorial integrity, a proof of which he instanced in the treaties, from the first Anglo-Japanese Alliance down to the Washington Nine Power Pact signed in 1922.—*Reuter*.

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SMART CAPTURE.

MOTOR CAR DRIVERS ARRESTED ALLEGED ROBBERS.

A very smart and intelligent piece of work, resulting in the arrest of two persons alleged to have been connected with a highway robbery in the New Territories, was related to Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the case in which one man and three girls stand charged with complicity was continued.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy is prosecuting on behalf of the Crown while Mr. C. A. S. Russ is appearing for the first defendant and Mr. Leo d'Almada for the three girls.

A motor car driver, in his evidence, said that he was returning from Un Long with two passengers on the afternoon of August 22 and on reaching Tai Nam Chung he saw three men and three girls standing in the roadway all four defendants were among them. They stopped the car and asked to be brought to town. The driver only had room for three and two men with one of the girls were taken to Mongkok.

Shortly after returning to the garage witness had a conversation with another driver who had just returned from the territories and learned of the robbery. Both men, together with a third, then went to where they had discharged some passengers outside the Mongkok Theatre. Standing together witness saw the first and fourth defendants, who were pointed out as having been brought in from the territories.

Witness approached the two and asked the male defendant if he had come from Castle Peak but received a negative reply, the first defendant replying that he had just arrived from Hongkong. He was contradicted by witness, who remarked that he had seen him at Tai Nam Chung.

The female defendant started to move away from the group, but witness followed her. Almost immediately afterwards, the first defendant bolted and witness gave chase. The other drivers caught the girl and went after the fugitive in their motor car. After overtaking him, one of the men alighted from the car and seized him, inter handing him over to the Police.

His Worship described the men's actions as being very smart, which remark was endorsed by Mr. Fitzroy who said that it was very creditable and highly commendable.

After further evidence the case was adjourned till next Wednesday afternoon.

U. S. MARINES.

COL. DAVIS RELINQUISHES HIS COMMAND.

Shanghai, Sept. 19. Colonel H. C. Davis, U.S. Marine Commandant, Shanghai, has been ordered to San Diego. Lieut. Colonel Kilgore is taking over command.—*Reuter*.

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MEN STILL REFUSE TO RETURN TO WORK.

Melbourne, Sept. 19. Despite the resumption order the waterfront workers in most ports are now refusing to work under the two "pickup" system. The shipowners have decided to advertise for volunteer labour, declaring their determination to put an end to the "present deplorable chaos," and appealing to the community to support their efforts to maintain the transport service.

Volunteers Enrolling.

Adelaide, Sept. 19. The equipment of volunteer labour is proceeding. The leading business men are urging their employees to enrol in the rural district police, who have been warned to hold themselves in readiness for a call to the city.

A Proposed Bill.

Canberra, Sept. 19. In the House of Representatives Mr. Bruce gave notice of the immediate introduction of a Bill relating to employment in trade and commerce among the States and overseas. It is surmised that this will deal with the protection of volunteers. The labourites are very perturbed. Cooktown is foodless owing to the strike and Mr. Bruce has requested the Queensland Government to relieve the situation.—*Reuter*.

Reputed to be London's oldest taxi driver, John Fisher, 79, of Harrington, Middlesex, has died. He became a bus conductor in 1868, and then drove a hansom cab, and later a taxi.

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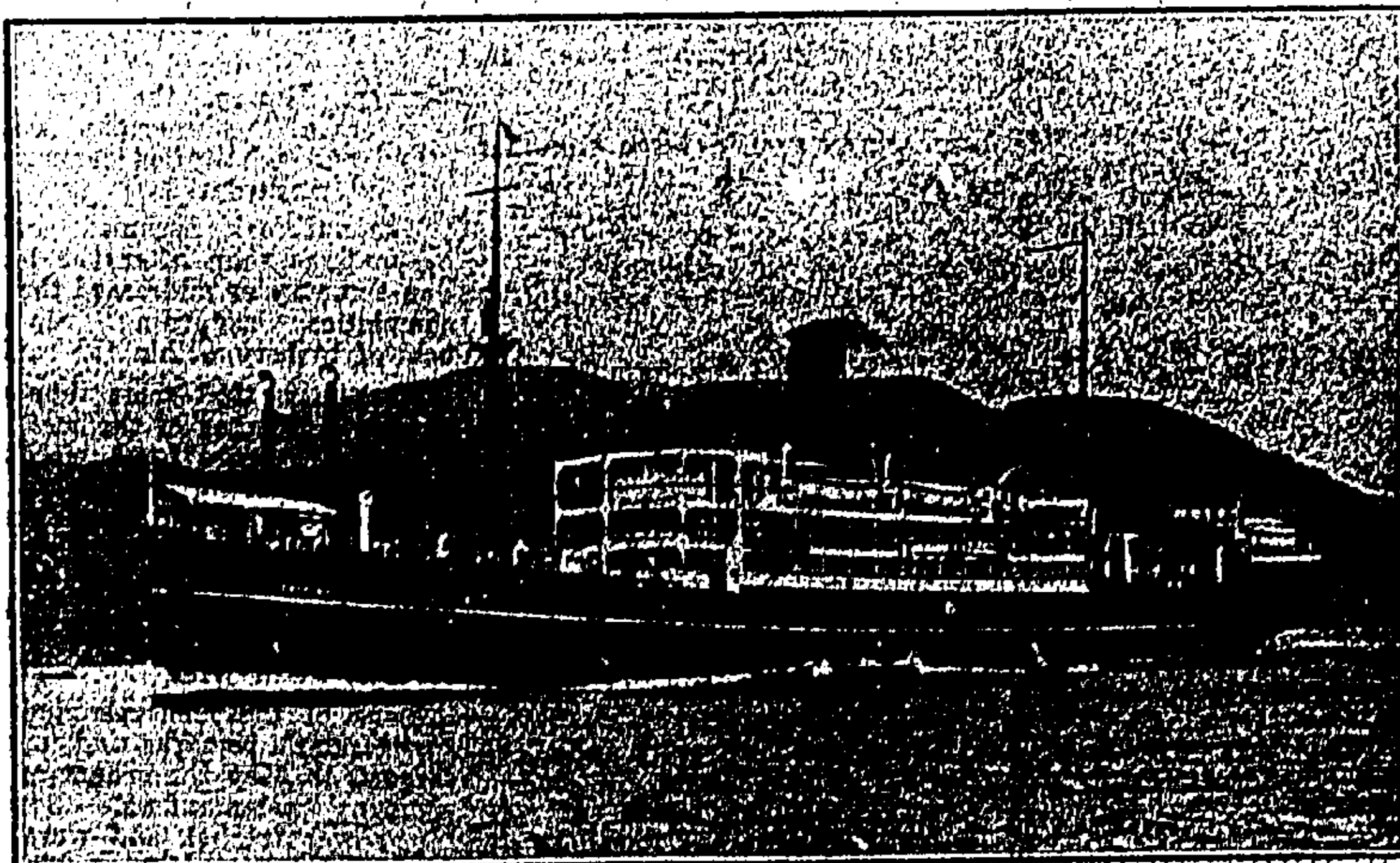
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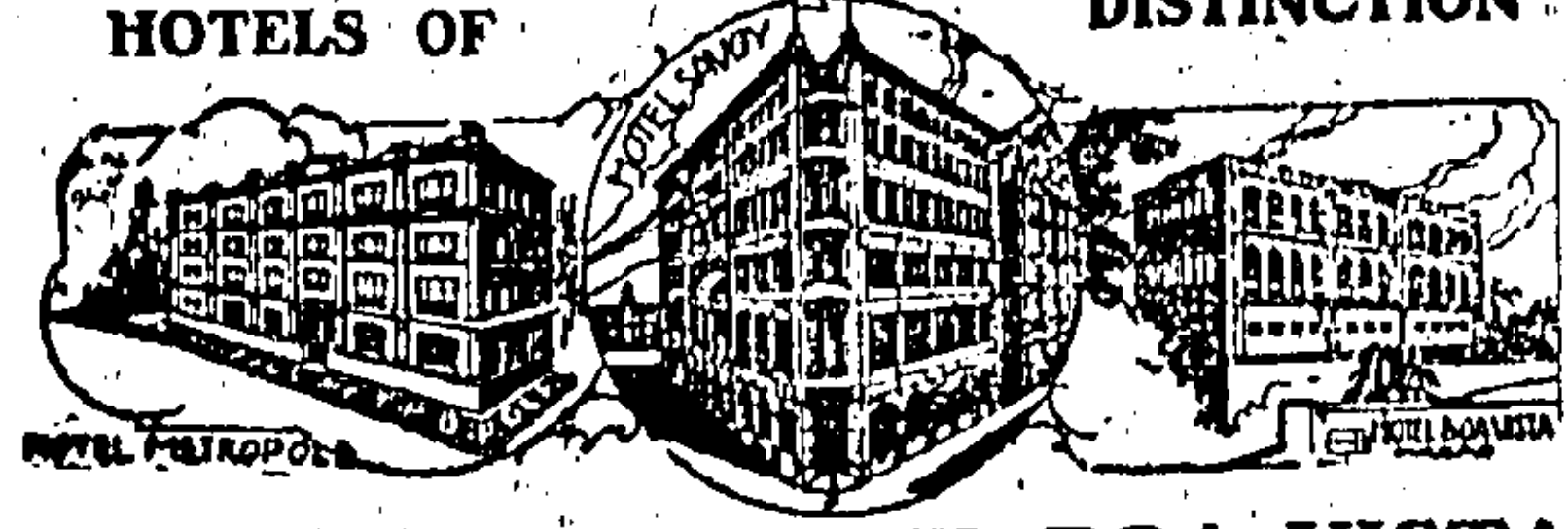
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THE INDIAN PUBLIC SAFETY BILL.

IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS IN COMMITTEE.

THE RIGHT OF APPEAL.

Simla, Sept. 19.
Excellent progress has been made by the Select Committee of the Legislative Council appointed to consider the Public Safety (Removal from India) Bill, and several important amendments have been made.

The Bill deals with Bolshevik agents, other than Indian British subjects, or subjects of the Indian States, and it is now felt that, with the alterations made, the Bill will prove acceptable.

The important decisions of the Select Committee, limit the life of the Bill to five years, and exempt from the scope of its operation, Europeans and British subjects, who have been living in India for at least five years, who have stake in the country, or are engaged in business.

The Bill will not affect those who are merely associated with the Bolshevik movement.

The outstanding amendment, however, is concerned with the right of appeal. The original clause stated that no removal order shall be called in question in any court or by or before any other authority whatsoever, but this has been altered to read that any aggrieved person may appeal against his removal before a Tribunal of three Sessions Judges and a Judge of the High Court.

The amended Bill is likely to be accepted.—*Reuter.*

MARINE COURT.

EGGS CARRIED INSTEAD OF PASSENGERS.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., two cases relating to breaches of Harbour Regulations were heard, the accused in both cases pleading guilty and being mulcted in \$10 fines, with the usual alternatives.

Leung Muk, master of a passenger boat, was charged with carrying goods other than passenger's luggage, namely 12 baskets of eggs. The defendant stated in his defence that the total was only a small quantity, and the baskets were small.

Chui Pat, mistress of a cargo junk, was charged with failing to exhibit regulation lights. She stated that she had been informed by the police officer that her light was not high enough. She had a kerosene lamp, which had been lowered to the deck, because her baby was crying and needed attention. The police officer in charge of the case stated that no light was showing, and, after being hailed, the boat had taken shelter behind others and a lamp was subsequently lit.

STREET GAMBLER CONFESSES.

CONSCIENCE-STRICKEN MAN OWNS UP.

In charging two men with street-gambling, before Mr. R. E. Lind-sell at the Police Court to-day, Inspector J. Clarke mentioned that only one of the defendants was secured by an Indian constable.

The other man, who had followed of his own free will behind the constable and his prisoner, came coolly into the charge-room of the Station, handed over 35 cents which would otherwise have been seized by the police as gambling stakes, and in an off-handed way said:—"I had been gambling, too."

His Worship fined each of the defendants \$1, and allotted the 35 cents to the Poor Box.

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—*British Wireless.*

COLLEGE YOUTHS REVOLT.

DRAG TEACHERS OUT OF BED.

TROUBLE AT U. S. SCHOOL IN PEKING.

CLAIM TO AUTHORITY.

Peking, Sept. 7.
The students of Tsing Hua College, near Peking, gift of the American Government to China, have taken the law in their own hands and decided to rule their own school, regardless of teachers or officials.

An initial move, they stormed the residences of five teachers of long-standing at midnight, dragged them from their beds, and compelled them to sign resignations. This fact is attested by an American teacher in the college.

Students' Demands.

The students declare that henceforward they will not have any teachers whom they do not want, will disregard regulations which they do not like, and must approve a president before he can be appointed. Their attitude has become so distasteful to Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, the American Minister, who has been ex-officio and adviser of the college, that he declines to have anything further to do with the school.

Was Model Institution.

Tsing Hua was built with part of the \$11,000,000 given to China in 1911 by the American Government in remission of a portion of the Boxer indemnity funds. It has been known as a model institution, located on the grounds of the beautiful Tsing Hua Kwan palace grounds, seven miles from Peking. Graduates of the school have been sent to the United States for advanced education, also with the remitted American funds.

The students at Tsing Hua have been restive for some time, probably due to disturbed conditions in China. Chang Tso-lin attempted to subdue them by appointing a military man, graduate of West Point, as president. This man applied military methods to the students, and kept them very quiet indeed. But the military president departed with Chang for Manchuria last spring.

Dispute With Alumni.

More than 1,100 students have been sent from Tsing Hua to the United States, and the alumni from one of the most influential groups in China to-day. There has been a serious dispute between the alumni and the students, as the former do not approve of the cavalier action of the youngsters. Tsing Hua probably is unique in the proportion of teachers and servants to students. It has only 300 students, but has 100 teachers and 200 servants.

The present dispute arose largely over the question of going to the United States. The trustees decided three years ago that Tsing Hua should be made a full university, and that only a few persons from all parts of China should go to the United States selected on the basis of a competitive examination. Tsing Hua students resented this change.

Unavailing Protest.

When the Nationalists took Peking, Nanking appointed Lo Chin-lun, chief of Chiang Kai-shek's propaganda staff, as president. The alumni immediately protested, pointing out that Mr. Lo does not even have a university degree.

The students, however, sent a delegation to Nanking to see Mr. Lo, and asked him if he would forego any examinations this year, and would send a large number of them to the United States. He agreed to these terms, according to reports in the Chinese press, and the students thereupon insisted that his appointment stand.

Successful Teachers Go.

The teachers who have been compelled to resign, according to an American teacher, are among the best in the school. They have served for many years with conspicuous success. The chief objection to them appears to be that they are good disciplinarians, and support the alumni rather than the students in the present dispute.

Tsing Hua is directly under the control of the Nanking Government. The appointment of Mr. Lo as president has aroused a storm of protest in China because it is contended that his appointment violates the policy maintained by all previous governments of keeping Tsing Hua out of politics. The outcome of their dispute is awaited with much interest because it will determine whether immature students or competent officials will be the real governing body of the college.—*United Press.*

SINGAPORE RACING ROMANCE.

JOCKEY'S MIDNIGHT CALL ON CLERGYMAN.

MARRIED NEXT DAY.

Singapore, Sept. 13.
The spirit of Gretna Green still lives in this prosaic century!

Late on Wednesday night a well-known Scottish padre in Singapore was awakened by the honking of a car beneath his window. Jumping out of bed, he proceeded downstairs to find a young couple who requested him to marry them forthwith. The hour was eleven-thirty p.m., the parties were complete strangers to the padre, and, reluctant though he was to cast the cold water of reason upon the fire of romance, the law was against him.

Marriage in the Straits Settlements is a slightly more complicated matter than it is in certain States in America. The qualification is a month's residence in the town, plus five days notice to the minister or clergyman. The couple in question had done neither of these things. In point of fact, the girl had come from Kuala Lumpur, and even though residence in the F.M.S. might possibly be a sufficient qualification the legal period of notice had not been given.

The padre therefore indicated the loophole which the law provides to meet such cases. He told the young couple that if they could obtain a special licence he would be delighted to marry them the next day, and in order to obtain that licence they must swear a statement before the Chief Marriage Registrar (the First Magistrate), and then take that statement to the Acting Colonial Secretary. Provided that Mr. A. G. Homman gave his consent, and they paid a fee of \$50, their path to wedded bliss would be clear. One other condition, that they must both be of age, did not apply in their case, as the prospective bridegroom's age was 27 and that of his fiancée 24.

Wedding Next Day.

Having said what the Americans term "a mouthful" the padre went back to bed. He heard nothing more the next morning, and when he left his house for a meeting at the Presbyterian Church at four-thirty that afternoon he began to think that the wedding would not occur, as the special licence, even if the Colonial Secretary had been kind to the midnight visitors, would only be good for the day on which it was issued and between the hours of six a.m. and seven p.m.

At a quarter past five, however, with exactly an hour and three-quarters to spare, the couple arrived at the church with the certificate, two grave Scottish elders were recruited to act as witnesses, and the Rev. G. H. Douglas solemnised the marriage of Mr. Charles Albert Henry Spencer, the well-known jockey, and Miss Rosalyn Curnow, of Kuala Lumpur.

Mr. Spencer is taking part in the present meeting of the Singapore Turf Club. He rode in two races last Saturday and in five on Tuesday, when he had one win and one third place.

TROOPS MUTINY IN HUNAN.

THREE COMMANDERS KILLED BY REBELS.

As the result of a mutiny of two companies of infantry of the 14th army stationed at Anhwa and Yenche, Hunan, the two commanders of these companies were killed and a battalion commander was later murdered.

The outbreak assumed serious proportions soon after the battalion commander addressed the two companies, regarding reported acts of bribery within the ranks. It appears that some time previously a number of the men had formed an escort for a merchant vessel and during the voyage had accepted bribes, the knowledge of which came to the ears of the commander. He paraded the two companies and warned them that similar acts in the future would be severely dealt with.

Some of the men resented the commander's remarks and openly refused to obey the orders of the company commanders. Several blows were struck and were immediately followed by open revolt on the part of the entire two companies. The battalion commander and the two company commanders were shot but additional forces were called in and succeeded in quelling the mutiny.

Many executions followed the revolt but a large number of those who participated, deserted and fled into the neighbouring districts.

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